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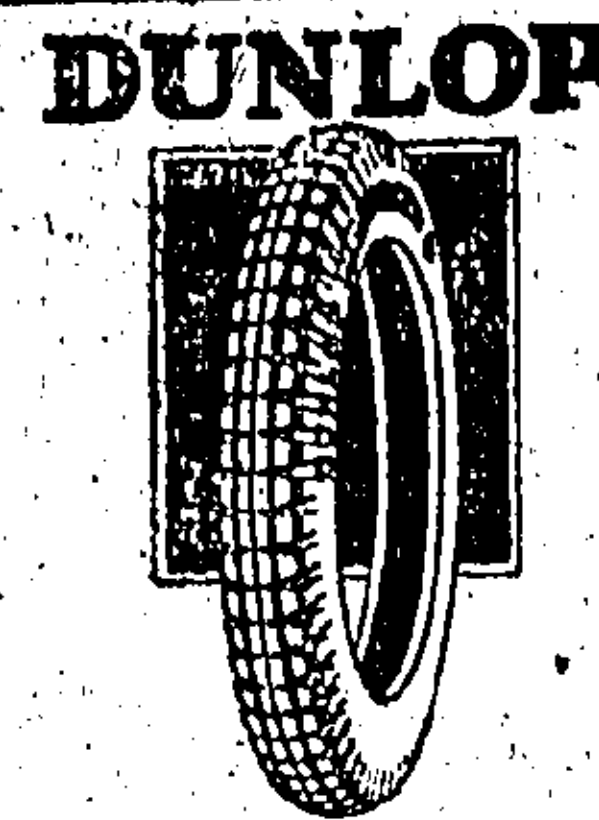
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FINANCE BILL

MR. SNOWDEN ON CONVERSION.

NOT NEW METHOD SMALL BONUS FOR CONVERSIONISTS.

Rugby, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons to-night the Committee stage of the Finance Bill, by which additional taxation to balance the Budget is imposed, was completed.

Speaking on the clause, giving stockholders the right to continue holding in five per cent. War Loan, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said the purpose of the clause was to give to the Treasury powers which would be used at a favourable opportunity to convert the present stock of five per cent. War Loan, amounting to over £200,000,000. To a very great extent the terms of conversion offer, when issued, would follow the conditions attached to the present stock. It was proposed to give three months' notice to holders of stock and during those three months they would have the option of transferring into the new stock or asking, at the end of three months, to be repaid in cash. The power which was asked for was not new in operations of that kind. It provided that if a holder of existing stock did nothing he was taken as accepting the offer. If he accepted he returned the old stock and his rights attaching to the stock would be different. In ordinary conversion operations a holder surrendering his old stock received new. Under this continuous operation he would retain his old security with changed conditions. It must be obvious that if there were a large number of holders of present stock who asked to be paid off in cash Government could not raise that huge sum in the course of a few days and, therefore, time was to be taken in order to see what the results of the conversion operation would be and then to make provision for finding the cash for those who wanted to be paid out.

Dealing with a sub-section of the clause, Mr. Snowden said one of them gave power to the Treasury to offer a very small bonus for all applications for conversion. — British Wireless Service.

THREE KIDNAPPERS SENT TO JAIL.

(Before Mr. Schofield).
Three Chinese were charged this morning with the kidnapping and false detention of a Chinese woman and three small boys.

Inspector John Murphy, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, prosecuted, and, outlining the case, said that on September 21 or 22, the defendants met the boys playing in a village street in the Kowloon district. They later found the woman working in a padi field. They took their captives in a tow boat for some distance, then boarded a train for Canton, and finally arrived in Hong Kong at about midnight. They were guided to 5 Rose Lane by the third defendant, who was a frequent visitor to the Colony, having relatives at West Point. The third defendant also knew the principal tenant of the floor, and introduced the woman as the first defendant's wife and said that the children were theirs. The following morning, the first and third defendant left for Yau-mat to visit a woman. What led to defendants' arrest was that the captive woman complained to the principal

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

"No Change" Reported This Morning.

QUIETLY STEADY.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states:—

There is no change to report in our market this morning, which remains quietly steady. Banks changed hands at \$1.690.

Unions were in demand at \$4.60. China Underwriters were on offer at \$5½.

Wharves were reported sales at \$1.51. Providents (old) were on offer at \$5.90, and the new shares were in demand at \$2½.

Hotels (old) were the medium of sales at \$14.90, and there were shares on offer at \$15. The new shares are nominal at \$14½.

Lands could have been obtained at \$86.

Humphreys (old) were on offer at \$19½. Realities could have been had at \$15.

Trams were in demand at \$21. China Lights were on offer at \$28.

Electric, which changed hands at \$78, had sellers at the close at \$80.

Telephones (fully paid) were in demand at \$43½, and the part paid shares were reported sales at \$30.

Cements (combined) were in request at \$18½. Ropes were wanted at \$16½.

Watsons, which were put through at \$15½, closed in demand at this rate.

Construction (old) were \$3.85 nominal, and the new shares were also nominal at \$1.80.

THE KING'S CONGRATULATIONS.

To All Concerned in Recent Air Feats.

NO ONE OVERLOOKED.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The King has personally directed Lord Amulree, Secretary for Air, to convey to Squadron Leader Orlebar and Flight Lieutenant Stainforth and Officers and men of the High-Speed Flight Team his warm congratulations on the brilliant performance whereby a new world's speed record was established.

In so doing the King intimated his great satisfaction with the high standard of efficiency prevailing among all ranks of the Royal Air Force and in the technical department of the Air Ministry as evidenced both on the present occasion as well as recent contest for the Schneider Trophy.

The King has further directed that his congratulations shall be conveyed to the manufacturers and designers of the machines and engine whose efforts have contributed so largely to these outstanding British successes. — British Wireless Service.

Principal tenant was advised to send all the inmates out of the house. She did so and the defendants were arrested in the street.

The woman, contended Inspector Murphy, was not brought here to be sold, but just to act as the boys' "mother" in the event of the party being accepted by the Police.

The Magistrate—What will it cost to repatriate these people? Insp. Murphy—Three or four dollars. The S.C.A. would see to that.

His Worship passed sentence of one year's imprisonment with hard labour on each of the accused.

FOOD BILL

MEASURES AGAINST PROFITEERING.

STIFF PENALTIES POWERS OF BOARD OF TRADE.

London, Yesterday.
Under the Government's "Food-stuffs (Prevention of Exploitation) Bill" which the House of Commons read to-day for the first time, the Board of Trade is empowered to take such action as may be necessary to prevent improper attempts being made to bring about a shortage of supplies or increase in price.

People convicted of offences under this bill may be imprisoned for three months, fined £100 or both, and the merchandise concerned is liable to forfeiture. — Reuter.

UNIQUE LONDON BANQUET.

Distinguished War Survivors Meet.

NO SPEECHES.

London, Yesterday.
The Prince of Wales attended to-night a unique banquet at the London home of Sir Abe Bailey. The occasion was the gathering of all available survivors of the great Statesmen, Naval and Military Officers portrayed in the three pictures of War personalities which Sir Abe Bailey presented to the National Portrait Gallery. Apart from the Royal Toast there were no speeches. — Reuter.

KINGSFORD-SMITH FORCED DOWN.

Indisposition Makes Him Alight.

NOW AT MILA.

Athens, Yesterday.
Air Commodore Kingsford-Smith made a forced landing at Mila, near Smyrna.

Indisposed.
Indisposition compelled Kingsford-Smith to land at Mila. He made a safe landing and the machine is undamaged. The airman in spite of feeling unwell is determined to continue, and he telegraphed to-day to friends in Athens that they might expect him in the afternoon, but he had not arrived at 8 p.m.

Waiting Permission to Leave.
A cable received in London from Kingsford-Smith from Mila states: "Waiting Permission to Leave." — Reuter.

PEACE IN CHINA.

Hu Han-min May Head Government.

SHANGHAI CONFERENCE.

Shanghai, To-day.
Local information suggests that the "peace negotiations" between Nanking and Canton which are at present taking place in Hong Kong forecast that Chiang Kai-shek will be appointed Generalissimo; Hu Han-min head of the National Government; and Wang Ching-wel head of Party Administration.

General Chen Ming-shu has been appointed Garrison Commander Shanghai and Nanking as a preliminary to the holding of a peace conference in Shanghai. — Reuter.

SIR THOMAS LIPTON.

Contracts a Chill Out Motoring.

CAUSES ANXIETY.

London, Yesterday.
Sir Thomas Lipton has contracted a chill while motoring, and his



condition is causing the greatest anxiety.

Better.

The condition of Sir Thomas Lipton has "encouragingly improved" to-night. — Reuter. [Sir Thomas is 81 years old.]

CLOUDY AND RAIN.

The Royal Observatory's report issued at 10.25 a.m. to-day says:—

The anticyclone is now central between Shanghai and Nagasaki, moving E.N.E.

There are indications of a depression in the S. China Sea.

Forecast: — N. E. winds, fresh; generally cloudy, some rain.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day 0.03 inch. Total since January 1—74.20 inches against an average of 76.16 inches — deficit 1.96 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	72
Pratas Island	79
Macao	68
Manila	77
Foochow	69
Amoy	71
Chefoo	60
Shanghai	54

THE COMMUNAL PROBLEM.

London, Yesterday.

In consequence of the difficulty of reconciling the conflicting claims of the Hindus with the Moslems and other smaller communities, to seats in the proposed new Indian Parliament, the Minorities Committee of the Round Table Conference has adjourned for a week, with a view to continuance of unofficial conversations. — Reuter.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The proposal was moved by Mr. Gandhi and formally seconded by H.H. the Aga Khan.

Mr. Gandhi expressed the hope that, in a week, it might be possible to report some sort of settlement. Sir Muhammad Shafi said the proposal was that each group should select one or more representatives to meet and by an exchange of ideas try to reach a satisfactory settlement and thus lighten the burden which rested on the Minority Committee as a whole.

The Prime Minister, who presided, said he hoped the adjournment would be fruitful of good results. — British Wireless Service.

VERBAL DUEL

ENFRANCHISEMENT OF WOMEN.

IN THE CORTES MOTION FOR PASSED.

Madrid, Yesterday.

A verbal duel between two women Deputies marked the passage in the Cortes of the clause in the new Constitution enfranchising women over the age of 23. Deputy Senorita Victoria Kent opposed the measure on the ground that women's political education had not yet begun. The other woman Deputy, Senorita Campamor, forcefully replied that women had helped to create the Spanish Republic.

The clause was passed by 170 votes to 121—a majority of 49. — Reuter.

LIFT BOY "HELD UP."

Imprisoned in Own Cage.

SUPREME COURT INCIDENT.

One of the lifts in the Supreme Court suddenly went out of order this morning. It got stuck and refused to function when between two floors. Luckily for the lift boy, the shaft is of wire netting on all sides, so that he had plenty of air and light during his enforced imprisonment and was not unduly inconvenienced. It was fortunate, too, that the lift stuck when going down after taking a solicitor up to the Court, so that the lift boy was apparently not concerned and spent his time in the "cage" reading a Chinese novel until his release almost an hour later.

The release was effected by the P.W.D. who are in charge of the maintenance of lifts in Government buildings. They were communicated with as soon as the lift boy's predicament was discovered and after a little tinkering with the machinery in the basement the lift safely descended to the ground floor level and the lift boy stepped out smiling and apparently proud of his experience.

Had the shaft been of bricks, as in many buildings in Hong Kong, perhaps a different story would have to be told.

LEAGUE AND MANCHURIA.

Geneva, Yesterday.

The Japanese delegates are leaving to-day and to-morrow.

Dr. Alfred Szö is expected to remain until the Council's resumption on October 14.

Reports of an increase of brigandage in the disturbed area are causing some anxiety.

Manchester Guardian's Comment.

London, Yesterday.

The League blundered by not sending a commission to Manchuria is the opinion of the Manchester Guardian, which asserts that there is no conclusive evidence that Japan is taking active steps to fulfil her undertaking to withdraw her troops within the railway zone.

So far as Britain is concerned, the Guardian says it will be Lord Reading's duty to press for active League intervention, unless the Japanese have taken convincing steps within a fortnight. — Reuter.

GENERAL ELECTION FORMULA HIT ON.

Liberal Ministers to Give Support.

PALACE AUDIENCES.

London, Yesterday.

It is believed that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, and Sir Herbert Samuel have agreed upon a formula embodying willingness to control or prohibit imports, and employ tariffs or any other measures to meet the situation.

Other Liberal Ministers will discuss the formula to-morrow, but there has been sufficient progress to make a General Election quite certain.

It is expected that Parliament will be dissolved on Wednesday, so Polling Day will be October 28.

Liberal Ministers Defy Lloyd George.

It is learned that in spite of Mr. Lloyd George's advice the five Liberal Ministers, Sir Herbert Samuel, Lord Reading, Sir Archibald Sinclair, Sir Donald Maclean, and the Marquess of Lothian, have decided to remain in the Government.

Their decision was made in view of the possibility of an immediate General Election.

Approaching End of Uncertainty.

The mysterious ritual of politics, whisperings, then so-called secret conclaves, then rumours, then statement colliding with statement, one destroying the other, seems about drawing to a close.

The Cabinet met and deliberated for two and a half hours last evening. Shortly after 8 p.m. Sir Herbert Samuel left the Cabinet room to submit to the other Liberals the formula (mentioned previously) on which the National Government may appeal to the country. These consultations were broken up repeatedly by divisions in the House of Commons, and Liberals eventually decided to adjourn consideration of the formula till to-day.

After sitting for an hour and a half finishing at 11.30 p.m. the Cabinet adjourned until to-day when presumably it will have to meet without the Prime Minister who has arranged to address his constituents of Seaham for which place he leaves at ten o'clock this morning.

Newspapers welcome the approaching end of this period of uncertainty one way or the other. Meanwhile the Man-in-the-Street reflects resignedly that he has got to stand the racket of general election costs of over £2,000,000. — Reuter.

Audiences with the King.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Reading, was received by the King at Buckingham Palace this morning. Later, following a formal meeting of the Privy Council at the Palace, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Lord President of the Council, remained behind and had audience of the King which lasted half an hour. This evening Sir Austen Chamberlain also had audience of the King.

Another meeting of the Cabinet was held this evening at the House of Commons at which, it is understood, the situation was further examined. It is now considered probable that the formal announcement regarding developments in the political field may be deferred until next week.

The Prime Minister is due to leave London to-morrow for Seaham, Durham, where, in the evening, he will address his constituents. — British Wireless Service.

DOLE RIOT

DEMONSTRATION IN GLASGOW.

M.P. ARRESTED UGLY SCENES IN STREET.

London, Yesterday.

Mr. J. McGovern, M.P. (Labour—Shettleston), and eleven others have been arrested in connection with the riots at Glasgow when 50,000 demonstrators against dole cuts were charged with by mounted police. Many were injured, including several police whom the mob attacked with broken bottles and other weapons. Many shop windows were smashed and the shops looted.

Streets Larded and Buttered.

A fresh outbreak of rioting occurred in Glasgow after midnight. It was accompanied by organised looting. Large slabs of butter and lard were thrown in the streets of Garngad district, where the hooligans had gathered while the Police were engaged elsewhere. When the Police returned they were bombarded with jam jars and bottles from the shops, the majority of the windows of which have been completely wrecked. The streets were littered with all sorts of commodities. Mounted police charged repeatedly and order was restored about two hours later. — Reuter.

CIVIL SERVANTS' SALARIES.

Relief for Married Men.

OFFICIAL EXPLANATION.

The Colonial Secretary moved at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council "That this Council approves the further modification, with effect, on and from July 1, 1931, of its resolution of June 19, 1930, on the Salaries Commission Report as modified by its Resolution of January 29, 1931.

He said.—The resolution which I am about to propose is the result of correspondence between the Government and the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of affording some relief to those officers on sterling salaries for whom the payment of half salary at the current rate of exchange and half at 1/6 does not appear sufficient, in view of heavy sterling commitments.

There must, of course, be cases of officers supporting parents in Britain, and of officers with children in the Colony who are providing for their future education by insurance or otherwise; but after careful consideration it seemed that the only possible line of action was to take account only of an officer's wife and children actually in a gold currency country, and the Secretary of State has concurred in this view.

Hardships Suffered.

Hon. members will not be unaware that the hardships of officers with sterling commitments under the present system of conversion of sterling salaries have been a matter of serious concern to this Government and to the Secretary of State, and the Government is satisfied that this amount of relief is the least that can properly be given this year. The cost for the half year is estimated at \$55,000. The Colonial Treasurer seconded and the motion was carried.

ROUND THE LOCAL CINEMAS.

What Mail Reviewers Say.

"SINNERS' HOLIDAY."

Featuring Grant Withers and Evalyn Knapp, this picture deals with life behind the scenes of a penny amusement park, and booze racketeering, with at least three romances thrown in for good measure. Only one of the romances is the "real goods" however.

The spoiled son of the mistress of one of the booths in the amusement park gets mixed up in the racketeering business and this eventually leads him into trouble with the leader of the gang. He is accosted outside his house and it becomes a question of "he who shoots first stays alive." The youngster kills his chief and hides the body in one of the booths in the park. His sister (Evalyn Knapp), sees the murder from her bedroom window but keeps the secret well.

Suspicion first falls on the murderer's elder brother with whose gun the foul deed was done. He claims that he had lent the weapon to his sister's sweetheart (Grant Withers) who, having nothing to fear, readily admits it. The girl, however, fears for the life of her lover and confesses that her younger brother was the murderer.

In the supporting programme are a Pathetone News reel, a cartoon comedy entitled "Ain't Nature Grand," a musical reel "Hawaiian Nights," and a spool of local news in which the Governor is seen kicking off in the Chinese interport football match Hong Kong v. Malaya, and glimpses are given of Hong Kong Yesterday and To-day. Here one sees Pedder Street in the car parking days and now, and scenes of the Hong Kong Hotel fire, and of Gloucester Building standing majestically in the place of the ruins.

"THE BELLAMY TRIAL."

The whole action of this part-talkie film (Star Theatre) takes place in a Court room, where Sue Ives and Stephen Bellamy are on trial for the murder of Mini Bellamy at a lonely Cottage on the night on June 19-20. The prosecuting Attorney presents a strong case, based mainly on circumstantial evidence, and contends that the motive for the ghastly crime was nothing but "petty jealousy." The defence attorney pleads accused's innocence. However, the case goes to the jury, composed of ladies and gentlemen. They retire. Their verdict is...? And then, after the decision, there followed a dramatic confession on the part of one whom the audience would never, for a moment, suspect. Who is that person?

From Other Sources.

"MURDER BY THE CLOCK."

Regis Toomey, former University of Pittsburgh athlete, is now a "cop." Or at least, he's a movie "cop"—and he plays an important role in "Murder by the Clock," the chills-and-shivers mystery play,

which is running at the King's Theatre.

In "Murder by the Clock" Toomey is seen as the assistant to William Lloyd, police lieutenant who tries to, and finally does, solve the mysterious murder of a much-harassed young husband, played by Walter McGrath.

Throughout harrowing scenes Toomey finds time to "play up to" Sally O'Neil, cast as the maid in the Endicott household. This pair provides comedy relief in the play. Others in the cast are Lilyan Tashman, the siren of "Finn and Hattie" and the newspaper critic in "Up Pops The Devil," Charles D. Brown, Martha Mattox, Guy Oliver, Lonita Lane and Lester Vail.

"DAYBREAK."

The appearance of Ramon Novarro starting on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre in "Daybreak," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's adaptation of the celebrated Arthur Schnitzler drama, calls attention to a number of intimate facts not generally known of the popular screen actor.

Novarro's real name is Samanagos. Named Novarro by Rex Ingram, who couldn't pronounce or spell the other. Was once bus boy in New York restaurant. Also worked as movie usher. Has fourteen brothers and sisters. Raffles off \$1,000 pool for working crew every time he makes a picture.

Wants studio in Nice, France, to make own pictures in all languages. Already directed himself in two foreign versions. Has a theatre of his own outside his house.

Never worked on any other lot than M-G-M, where he started as an extra. Speaks Foreign, Spanish, French and German.

Talking pictures include "Devil May Care," "In Gay Madrid," "Call of the Flesh," and "Daybreak."

"I TAKE THIS WOMAN."

Another well-known stage director makes his moving picture bow with the presentation of "I Take This Woman," the Mary Roberts Rinehart story, recently a best-seller novel under the title, "Lost Ecstasy." He is Marion Gering who joined Slavko Vorkapich, the screen's outstanding art technician, in directing that picture.

Gering's directorial reputation was won on the theatre stages of New York and Europe. Having originally from Russia, where he achieved prominence on the legitimate stage as an actor and student of theatrical technique, an official mission for a Moscow theatrical group took him to the United States. His production of "Skiddings" ran for nearly a year on Broadway. He also spent some time in Chicago, directing.

"I Take This Woman," an intense love story of an ill-matched pair who marry in haste, will be shown at the King's Theatre, starting on Sunday.

Violin Solo—Oriental (from "Kaleidoscope"—Cesar Cui), Souvenir (Drdla), Mischa Elman (1354).

Song—Lo, Here the Gentle Lark (Shakespeare-Bishop), Swiss Echo Song (Eckert), Marion Talley (Soprano) (6593).

Piano Solo—Brooklet (Schubert-Rachmaninoff), Turkish March (from "Ruins of Athens"—Beethoven), Sergei Rachmaninoff (1190).

Song—Bird Songs at Eventide (Barrie-Contes), The Little Silver Ring (Chaminade), John McCormack (Tenor) (1303).

10.30 p.m. (approx.)—Close Down.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Victor Records.

7.05-7.20 p.m.—Band Selections. The Princeton Football Medley (arr. Weaver), (a) The Orange and the Black, (b) Old Nassau (arr. Weaver), Princeton University Band (20355).

7.20-7.40 p.m.—Organ Solos. Lay My Head Beneath a Rose, Dreaming the Waltz Away, Jesse Crawford (20303).

How About Me? I'll Get By as Long as I Have You, Jesse Crawford (21850).

Silhouettes, Maria My Own, Jesse Crawford (22748).

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

7.40-8.28 p.m.—Operatic. Band—Cavallova Rusticiana—Selection (Mascagni), Creator's Band (35815).

Vocal Duet—Aida—Thou, Where the Virgin Forests Rise (Verdi), Aida—Again I See Thee (Verdi), Elisabeth Rethberg & Giacomo Lauri-Volpi (8190).

Orchestral—Pugliacchi—Fantasy (Leoncavallo arr. Tavan), Marek Weber & His Orchestra (V-50017).

Song—Samson at Dailia—Is Your God Not on High? (Saint-Seens), Samson at Dailia—Pause, My Brothers (Saint-Seens), Giovanni Martinelli (Tenor) (8159).

Orchestral—Tannhauser—Overture (Wagner), Mitglieder der Staatskapelle (68903).

8.28-8.55 p.m.—Orchestral. Colonial Song (Grainger-Schmidt), Over the Hills and Far Away (Grainger-Schmidt), Victor Symphony Orchestra (38035).

Marche Joyeuse (Chabrier-Hinrichs), Danse Slave (Chabrier), Victor Symphony Orchestra (33037).

Fantasy of Melodies by Offenbach (Ernst Urbach), Marek Weber & His Orchestra (V-50033).

8.55-9.27 p.m.—Variety. Humorous Song—I'm the Last of the Red Hot Mummies, He's a Good Man to Have Around, Sophie Tucker (21994).

Hawaiian Orchestra—Under the Stars of Havana, Blue Waters, Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra (21822).

Comic Sketch—Sam Phoning His Sweetheart Liza, Sam 'n' Henry at the Dentist's, Sam 'n' Henry (20032).

Mandolin Solo—Neapolitan Caprice, Souvenir, Barcarolle, Humoresque, Bernardo De Pace (20070).

Song—Hand Me Down My Walking Cane, My Horses Ain't Hungry, Kelly Harrell with Violin & Guitar (21003).

Accordion & Banjo Duet—Barcelona, Ca' d'est Paris, Gardoni-Puig (21033).

9.27-10.25 p.m.—A Concert. Violin Solo—Invocation (Owen-Kreisler), Oriental Romance (Rimsky-Korsakov), Fritz Kreisler (1209).

Song—Pirate Dreams (Garnett-Hueter), At Parting (Peterson-Rogers), Ernestine Schumann-Heink (Coprato) (1300).

Piano Solo—Invitation to the Waltz (Weber), Alfred Cortot (1201).

Song—Kashmiri Song (Hope-Woodford-Finden), Smiling Through (Penn), Reinald Werrenrath, Baritone (1427).

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FRENCH ARTISTES.

Coming to Peninsula Hotel.

A PRESS APPRECIATION.

Commenting on the arrival in Manila of the two French artistes who are appearing on the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon, to-morrow night, the Manila Tribune of September 24 stated:—

"Unique entertainment reminiscent of Paris, queen city of the world, will feature the supper dance at the Manila Hotel pavilion to-night as arranged by the management in connection with the arrival of the s.s. President Hoover, newest and biggest of the Dollar liners' afloat on any sea. Eleanor Ninon and Leo Martin, two French artistes, formerly of the Folies Bergere will offer a smart miniaturized revue which includes an exceptional pantomimic revelry of international songs and romantic dance fashions."

The two French artistes left Paris three years ago, made a tremendous hit in New York in their appearances in Broadway revues, played their way in the principal cities across the continent, landing in Hollywood where the dancers were contracted for many Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film productions that have since found their way to the world over.

Their successful tour of the United States included appearances at the Billmore in Los Angeles, the Ritz Carlton at Atlantic City, the Cafe des Beaux Arts, and leading show houses in New York, Chicago, and San Francisco. Proceeding on their tour round the world, they stopped in Japan where they appeared before the Imperial Family during their engagement at the Tokyo Imperial Theatre.

The dancers have for their accompanist Pedro Guevara, a Filipino, who spent a dozen years in France as a pianist.

ROSARY SUNDAY.

Order of the Procession in Kowloon.

The following is the programme for Sunday, which is the Patron Feast of Rosary Church:—

Morning Service. First Mass, at 6.30. Second Mass, at 7.30. Third Mass, at 8.30. Solemn Pontifical Mass, at 9.30. Evening Service, 4.30.

Recitation of the Rosary, Procession, Sermon and Benediction. Boy Scouts.

St. Louis Industrial School Band. The Banner of Our Lady. Girls Scattering Flowers. Knights of the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Joseph's College Apostleship of Study. Chinese Catholic Young Men Society.

St. Joseph's Confraternity. St. Margaret Banner. Apostleship of Prayer, Hong Kong and Kowloon.

Bearers of the Mysteries of the Rosary. Cross of the Confraternity of the Rosary.

Confraternity of the Holy Rosary. Congregation of St. Aloysius. The Children of Mary. Girls Scattering Flowers. The Clergy.

The Statue of Our Lady, Guard of Honour. The Bishop.

The Consuls and the Knights. Ladies' Apostleship of Prayer. Ladies' Union.

The Band. Boy Scouts Rear-Guard. The Faithful.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

Entertainments. To-day—King's Theatre: "Murder By The Clock." Theatre: To-day—Queen's Theatre: "Sinner's Holiday." Theatre: To-day—Central Theatre: "Dracula." Theatre: To-day—Majestic Theatre: "The Awful Truth." Theatre: To-day—Star Theatre: "The Bellamy Trial."

Home Malls. To-day—Outward for Europe via Suez (Hakusan Maru), 6 p.m. To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Suez (Kashima Maru); from America via ports (Empress of Canada and Pres. Monroe); from London (Glaucus); Outward for Europe, via Siberia (President Jefferson), 5 p.m.

Meetings. October 8—Hong Kong Horticultural Society, Jardine, Matheson Co.'s Board Room, 5.15 p.m.

October 9—Hong Kong and Canton Ice Manufacturing Co., Ltd., 2 Lower Albert Road, 10.45 a.m. Lammerets' Auction.

To-day—At Sales Room, postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

Land Sales. October 5—At P.W.D. Offices, two lots of Crown land, 3 p.m.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. K. C. ROY, M.L.A.

Collapse in Legislative Assembly.

Simla, Sept. 7. In the Legislative Assembly to-day, when speeches were being delivered mourning the loss of Messrs. Alexander, S. C. Shahani and U. Tok Kyi, Mr. K. C. Roy fainted.

The President adjourned the House for 15 minutes.

Later—Mr. K. C. Roy, who had fainted in the Legislative Assembly this afternoon, passed away at 4.30 p.m., at the Ripon Hospital. Death was due to a stroke of paralysis.

He was the founder of the Associated Press of India and the most senior journalist in India.

Tributes in Assembly. Simla, Sept. 8. After several speeches with regard to the death of Mr. Roy, the Assembly adjourned to-day as a mark of respect.

Sir George Rainy alluded to Mr. Roy's wholehearted patriotism.

Dewan Bahadur Rangachariar, leader of the Nationalists, said that they had lost a sagacious counsellor and the Government a wise and safe guide.

Mr. Arthur Moore, on behalf of the European group and the Press Gallery, also the other party leaders and personal friends, joined in paying a tribute.

Every speaker, including the President, praised Mr. Roy's patriotism and power of organisation, which had led to the creation of the Associated Press of India, which had attained its present standard of efficiency as a result of the deceased's strenuous efforts.

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A WHOLE WEEK'S NEWSPAPERS IN ONE.

The Sino-Japanese trouble in Manchuria has given rise to serious anti-Japanese demonstrations in the Colony, culminating in the calling out of British troops and the Police Reserve, and the placing of Hong Kong in a state of emergency. Dame Rumour, as is usual at such times has been exceptionally busy, but the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL has endeavoured to put on record only duly-authenticated reports on the situation.

At the conclusion of the trial of Leo Arthur da Guimaraes, and a Chinese who were charged with obtaining \$7,000 by a trick, in what became known as the "forged notes" case, the jury found Guimaraes guilty, in spite of evidence placed before them from his mother and sister, and the statements of his brother, who took all the blame for the affair. The Chinese was found not guilty, but is to appear on another count. A full report appears in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

The lack of postal and hospital facilities in Kowloon is deplored in the monthly report of the Kowloon Residents' Association, which is reproduced in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

Sport in the Colony, although curtailed in view of the anti-Japanese riots, included the re-start of racing, which provided few surprises, and the Ladies' Swimming Gala at the Victoria Recreation Club, both of which events are specially reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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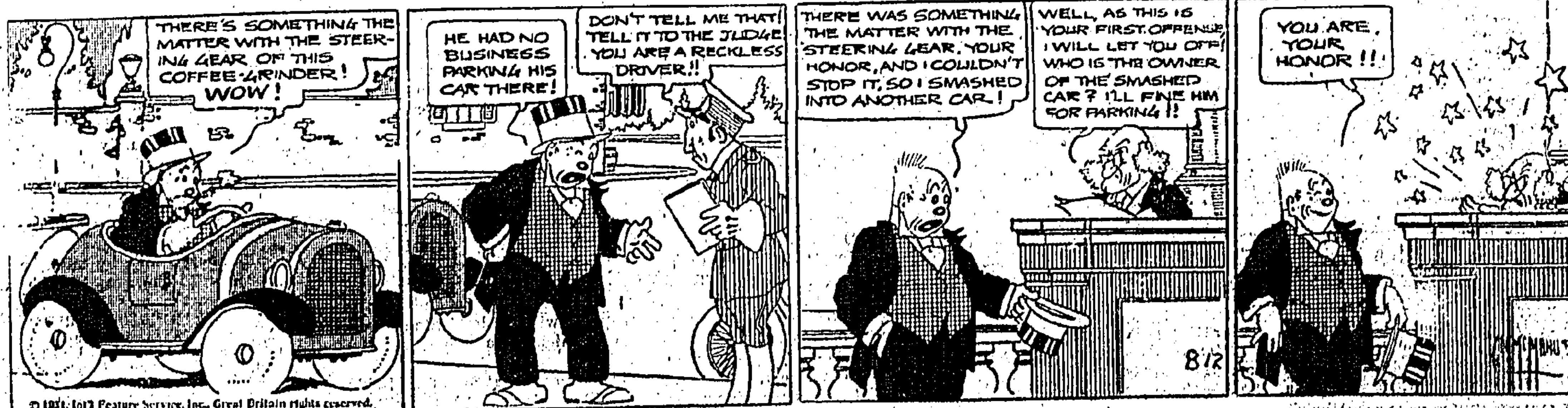
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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

RECREIO ARE WELL DEFEATED.

Second Eleven Concede Five Goals.

GREAT Y.M.C.A. VICTORY.

At King's Park yesterday the Y.M.C.A. second eleven registered their first win of the season when they defeated the Club de Recreio second eleven by five goals to one. Selk opened the scoring for the "Y" as the result of a very fine solo effort and Parker added a second goal before the interval. Parker's goal resulted in a misunderstanding on the part of the Recreio goal-keeper, who thought that Parker had shot from outside the circle and therefore made no effort to stop his hard drive. The half-time whistle went soon afterwards with the Y.M.C.A. leading by two clear goals.

Soon after the resumption a pass from Smith sent Wilson away and he found the back of the net with a fast shot from close quarters. Three goals in arrears made the Recreio sit up and take notice and as the result of a forward movement the inside right went through to score their lone point. The "Y", however, were soon on the offensive again and Smith knotted their fourth goal from close in and Parker added the fifth goal.

For the winners Skinner played a great game in goal and was well covered by Stoker, who was playing a brilliant game in defence. The "Y" half-back line proved too much for the Recreio forwards, Mitchell being outstanding. Bates at centre half and Sweet at right half were also towers of strength in defence and their feeding of the forwards showed a welcome return to form. Of the forwards Selk was obviously the most dangerous man near goal and his cut throughs the defence when a pass was expected left the Recreio backs standing. Parker also played a good game and his first goal was an excellent seizure of opportunity. Wilson on the wing sent in some rattling good centres but he needs to get off the mark quicker if he is to develop into a first-class player. The Recreio backs were weak in defence and though their half-backs worked pluckily they were unable to check the numerous raids on their goal. Their forwards were very orthodox when in possession but they were unavoidably neglected by their half-back support.

Result:—

BURNLEY DEFEAT NOTTS FOREST.

Advance Ten Places in Table.

ODD GOAL IN THREE.

London, Yesterday. The following was the only result recorded in the League Championship:—

Second Division.

Goals.	Retur.
Notts F. 1	Burnley 2

—Reuter.

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Bury 8 0 1 1 19 7 13
Bradford 8 5 2 1 21 11 12
Plymouth A. 8 5 2 1 17 11 12
Wolves 8 5 1 1 21 8 11
Stoke C. 8 5 1 2 17 9 11
Southampton 8 5 0 3 17 15 10
Leeds U. 8 4 2 2 10 6 10
Tottenham 8 3 2 3 19 17 8
Notts Forest 8 3 2 3 13 14 8
Burnley 7 3 1 3 9 11 7
Millwall 8 3 1 4 14 12 7
Notts C. 8 2 1 4 13 17 7
Port Vale 8 3 1 4 12 19 7
Oldham A. 8 2 3 3 13 11 7
Bradford 8 2 3 3 13 18 7
Preston N.E. 8 2 3 3 13 19 7
Swansea T. 8 3 0 5 18 17 6
Barnsley 8 3 0 5 12 20 6
Manchester U. 8 2 2 4 11 15 6
Chesterfield 7 2 1 4 11 19 5
Charlton A. 7 1 1 5 11 16 3
Bristol C. 8 1 0 7 9 22 2

RECREIO ELEVEN'S FOR TO-MORROW.

Strong Teams in Field For Opening Games.

The following will represent the Club de Recreio in their League match against the Royal Navy on the Recreio ground, King's Park, at 4.30 p.m. to-morrow:—

R. Marques; R. Silva-Netto, S. Sousa; G. F. Victor, N. Beltrao, H. C. Remedios; B. Gosano, A. Ward, A. Gosano, L. A. da Rocha, and A. J. Brown.

The following will represent the Club de Recreio Reserves in their League match against the Radio Sports Club on the Recreio ground, King's Park, at 3 p.m. to-morrow:—

A. McGrann; H. M. Britto, B. Gaun; E. Lawrence, C. Figueiredo, V. Marques; J. Goncalves, J. Gomes, G. Guterres, J. C. Santos, and F. A. Santos.

Y.M.C.A. II. 5
Recreio II. 1
Y.M.C.A.:—R. D. Skinner; W. Stoker, L. W. Tittle; S. Sweet, R. A. Bates (captain), G. Mitchell; H. Muller, S. Selk, W. H. Smith, F. Parker, and J. M. Wilson.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE AQUATICS.

Annual Sports Held at V.R.C.

FOURTEEN EVENTS.

At the conclusion of the annual aquatic sports of Queen's College at the V.R.C. yesterday afternoon Mr. G. P. de Martin, the Director of Education, distributed the prizes.

The following were the full results:—

One length small boys' race:—Yung Fuk-pui; 2. Ng Chung-man.

Two lengths (free style) for Juniors:—1. Chan Kai-him; 2. Chan Kan-fui.

Two lengths (free style) for Seniors:—1. Chan Sui-kum; 2. K. Nazarin.

Four lengths (free style) for Juniors:—1. Chan Kai-him; 2. Chan Kan-fui.

Two lengths (breast stroke) for Juniors:—1. Chan Kan-fui; 2. Yui Poma.

Two lengths (breast stroke) for Seniors:—1. Wong Kam-to; 2. Wong Siu-hung.

Two lengths (back stroke) for Juniors:—1. Chan Kai-him; 2. Chan Kan-fui.

Two lengths (back stroke) for Seniors:—1. Chan Sui-kum and Wong Kam-to (dead heat); 3. Wong Siu-hung.

Diving for Juniors:—1. Yung Fuk-pui; 2. Chan Kai-him.

Diving for Seniors:—1. F. R. Abbas; 2. Wong Wing-sui.

Long Plunge (Open):—1. Hung Ho-chiu; 2. Kitchell.

Class team race for Juniors:—1. Class 4B.

Class team race for Seniors:—1. Class C2.

Senior Champion:—Chan Sui-kum.

Junior Champion:—Chan Kai-him.

JACKSON CAPTAINS CHELSEA.

Star Winger Succeeds Andy Wilson.

London, Sept. 22. It is announced that Alex Jackson, the Scottish international forward, succeeds Andy Wilson as captain of the Chelsea football team.

THE AMAZING CAREER OF PAAVO NURMI.

Unparalleled Series Of World's Records.

PaaVo Nurmi was born in Finland in 1897. He first made his mark at the Olympic Games at Antwerp in 1920, since when he has staggered the athletic world with an unparalleled series of records.

At present he holds the following world's records:—

One Mile—4 mins. 10.4/10 secs.
Three Miles—14 mins. 11.1/5 secs.
Four Miles—19 mins. 15.3/5 secs.
Five Miles—24 mins. 6.1/5 secs.
Six Miles—29 mins. 36.2/5 secs.
Ten Miles—50 mins. 15 secs.
3,000 Metres (1 mile 1,520 yards)—8 mins. 20.4/5 secs.
5,000 Metres (3 miles 188 yards)—14 mins. 28.1/5 secs.
7,500 Metres (4 miles 1,162 yards)—22 mins. 22 secs.
10,000 Metres (6 miles 376 yards)—30 mins. 6.1/5 secs.
15,000 Metres (9 miles 564 yards)—46 mins. 49.5/16 secs.
30 mins.—6 miles 329 yards 9,957 metres.
60 mins.—11 miles 1,635 yards (19,210 metres).

Nurmi also holds a number of records in Finland, Sweden, France, Germany, and America. He has won all the Finnish championships from 800 metres to 10,000 metres. He ran 800 metres in 1 min. 56 secs. Upon his visit to England in 1922 he won both our Two Miles Steeplechase and Four Miles Championships.

Teaching the Yanks. In America, from January 6 to May 23, 1925, taking part in 69 indoor races, he ran 190,815 metres (118 miles 1,149 yards), and was only beaten in the last of all, which was over 800 metres, by Alan Helfrich, in 1 min. 55 secs. Nurmi declares he enjoyed the last event best of all.

In every race he ran he actually established a new record, in some way or other. Some of the records were marvellous, but the greatest of all was two miles in 8 mins. 58 secs., an astounding feat. In addition to these races, he travelled several thousand miles. His prizes amounted to 60 medals, with gold watches and cups, which were valued at 3,000 dollars.

All who were at Stamford Bridge on Whit Monday, 1930, will remember Nurmi's wonderful record run, when he pulverised Shrubbs's six miles record. His easy stride, his high arm action, and the clockwork regularity of his movements impressed everyone immensely.

As he covered lap after lap, he consulted his stop-watch to see whether he was within his schedule, but he scarcely needed to do this, for he ran almost as evenly as the watch itself, at the rate of rather more than 12 miles an hour.

Amazing Pace Judgment. His last lap was practically as fast as his first one, and for twenty laps his time did not vary more than a second or two. It was the marvellous precision of the man which amazed us all, and his extraordinarily clever pace judgment. He seemed to have plenty of reserve power at the end of his run, and calmly walked away from the track as if it had been a practice run. And this notwithstanding the fact that (as Guy M. Butler pointed out in an interesting analysis of his achievement) he was actually moving faster at the finish of his six miles than Vortanen, his fellow-countryman, was at the end of the A.A.A. four miles championship, which he won.

Nurmi's figures, mile by mile, in comparison with those of Shrubbs, were:—

	NURMI	SHRUBBS
One mile	4 45.2/5	4 46.2/5
Two miles	8 42.4/5	8 44.2/5
Three miles	12 44.3/5	12 45.1/5
Four miles	16 46.2/5	16 50.2/5
Five miles	24 45.3/5	24 55.2/5
Six miles	29 36.2/5	29 59.2/5

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STYLES OF FAMOUS GOLFERS

A Selection of Six.

By HARRY VARDON

People have been good enough from time to time to compliment me upon my golfing style. I can assure them that, at any rate, it has not always merited approval, for early photographs show me in positions of monstrous over-swinging.

Distinguished critics who were informed in my salad days, before I had won any championships, that I was a player of promise, declared when they had subjected me to their scrutiny that they could not imagine a golfer with a style like mine ever making a success of the game. If, from such evidently unfavourable beginnings, there has been evolved a mode that gives satisfaction, surely nobody need despair.

A long-time camp-follower of classic events was discussing this subject with me the other day. He nominated the six golfers of recent times whom he regarded as the possessors of the best styles. As his roll included Harry Vardon, there is no need to reproduce it. He asked me to name my six in the order of merit, and this was my selection:

1. Miss Joyce Wethered;
2. Bobby Jones;
3. George Duncan;
4. John Ball;
5. C. J. H. Tolley; and
6. Macdonald Smith.

Style does not mean so much nowadays as it did in the era of the stubborn gutta-percha ball, which reacted only to an easy-flowing swing that merged artistic persuasiveness with hard hitting.

Everybody had to be something of a stylist, with a well-cultivated follow-through, in order to achieve success then. The possibilities have widened wonderfully for people of all types of physique, and there are now downright eccentric ways of securing the desired end, even among players of the front rank.

I have placed Miss Wethered first for the reason that she seems to me to be different from all the others in her absolutely effortless way of playing the shots. It is pure grace of action without any apparent attempt to force for anything.

The best amateur among men could not have given her more than four strokes in recent times, and so far as concerns elegance of action, nobody could have given her anything.

Polish and Power.

For pure symmetry of swing and body-action, Bobby Jones is second to none. He affords a contrast to Miss Wethered in the sense that he seems always to be a pent force. That may be the very quality which made him pre-eminent in his era.

There are times when, for all

his rhythm, he is evidently going all out for a great shot, writes Harry Vardon in the Sports Dispatch. Indeed, the signs are to be seen as he studies the situation with grim intensity, takes the club slowly from his bag as though he were still contemplating the advisability of changing his mind, and then settles down to the address with the air of one who felt that he was master of his fate, and resigned to it.

Another sign is provided when, as he hits the ball for one of these great shots, he forces his right hip through with the club, in the palpable determination to add to the might of the blow. It is all done very artistically, but it is there. As the embodiment of power and style Jones is unequalled.

George Duncan could not help being a stylist if he wanted to be one, for he has the gift of mimicking other people's methods down to the last detail in a degree that amounts to a touch of genius.

He once said that, when he took part in his first Championship on the Royal Liverpool links at Hoylake, he watched me every day, and decided to imitate my style. Most people declare that, whether it was for his good or his ill, he achieved his purpose.

At the time of this early experiment Duncan had a very flat swing, so that he had to change it to a very upright one. Yet the alteration presented so little difficulty to him that he was soon winning big tournaments in the new way. But Duncan had to introduce some of his own personality. He is most certainly a perfect artist of golfing methods, but the artist who must perform in lightning dashes.

Impressive Spectacles.

John Ball always appealed to me as being the ideal exemplar of the old school of golfing methods. His swing was a thrill in polish and strength, especially when he was playing a cleek shot.

I would have Cyril Tolley in my list, because, of all the players who present a majestic appearance when swinging the club, like a statue erected to the honour of the game, he is the most striking.

Nobody has ever looked quite so august as Tolley, and his ample swing, full and round, is sufficiently well adapted to his stately figure to warrant his inclusion among the world's six best stylists. Something goes wrong sometimes with either the wielding of the club or the turning of the body, for Tolley is incorrigibly uncertain; but the grandeur of the picture is never lost.

What appeals to me about Macdonald Smith, the Scottish-born American, who has been runner-up in both the British and United States Open Championships, is the absolute correctness and uniformity of his swing with every club from the driver to the mashie-niblick.

If you want variety, then one round with any of the others would be worth a week with Smith; but if you want to see the true swing served up perfectly and in the same way every time, with clubs of graduated lofts designed to obtain respective distances, then you cannot do better than study Smith. He is a remarkable character in the sense that he gave up golf for something like seven years, and has been better than ever since he returned to it.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

HOCKEY—To-day—Club "A" v. K.B.S.F.P.A.

FOOTBALL—To-morrow—First Division—Borderers v. Tolly; Royal Navy v. Kew; Argylls v. Kowloon; St. Joseph's v. Club; Second Division—University v. Royal Navy; Kowloon v. Club; Argylls v. R.A.O.C.; Borderers v. 12th Heavy Battery; R.A.; Third Division—Royal Engineers v. Borderers; Kew v. R.A.O.C.

CRICKET—To-morrow—League I—University v. Royal Artillery; League II—Police R.C. v. University.

Sunday—Kowloon C.C. v. H.K. Volunteers at noon.

ABROAD.

FOOTBALL—To-morrow—Full English and Scottish League programmes.

R.A.C.I.N.G.—Sunday—Macno Races.

BOXING SCENE AT MANCHESTER.

Jimmp Maharg Is Disqualified.

An unruly scene followed the referee's decision in disqualifying Jim Maharg, the Scottish flyweight champion, for hitting low in the eighth round of his fight with Jackie Brown, the European title holder, at Belle Vue, Manchester. Two excited spectators advanced

HOME FOOTBALL.

To-morrow's League Fixtures.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

First Division.

Birmingham	v.	Portsmouth
Bolton W.	v.	Newcastle U.
Chelsea	v.	Liverpool
Everton	v.	Blackpool
Grimby T.	v.	Arsenal
Manchester C.	v.	Sheffield U.
Middlesbrough	v.	Huddersfield
Wednesday	v.	Aston Villa
Sunderland	v.	Blackburn R.
West Brom.	v.	Derby C.
West Ham	v.	Leicester C.

First Division Table to Date.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
West Brom.	9	6	1	2	18	7	13
Wednesday	8	5	1	2	27	16	11
Sheffield U.	8	5	1	2	17	8	11
Arsenal	8	4	3	1	17	8	11
Huddersfield	7	4	2	1	11	8	10
Everton	8	5	0	3	16	13	10
Aston Villa	8	4	1	1	22	10	9
Middlesbrough	8	4	1	3	21	18	9
Liverpool	8	4	1	3	19	13	9
Birmingham	8	3	3	2	15	13	9
Blackpool	8	3	2	3	10	18	8
Leicester C.	7	3	1	3	12	11	7
Bolton W.	8	3	1	4	16	19	7
Sunderland	9	2	3	4	12	12	7
Manchester C.	9	2	3	4	12	18	7
Newcastle U.	6	3	0	3	12	10	6
Derby C.	9	3	0	6	14	20	6
Blackburn R.	8	2	1	5	13	20	5
Grimby T.	8	2	1	5	11	23	5
Portsmouth	8	2	1	5	8	17	5
Chelsea	8	1	1	6	11	20	3

Second Division.

Barnsley	v.	Plymouth A.
Bradford C.	v.	Bury
Burnley	v.	Manchester U.
Chesterfield	v.	Tottenham
Leeds U.	v.	Oldham A.
Millwall	v.	Port Vale
Notts Forest	v.	Notts Cnty.
Preston N.E.	v.	Bradford
Southampton	v.	Wolves
Stoke C.	v.	Charlton A.
Swansea T.	v.	Bristol C.

ed towards the ring and reached the platform outside the ropes, but were hustled out of the hall by police.

The sudden finish was not unexpected, for Maharg had been warned more than once, and the bout generally was anything but enjoyable.

Brown did not show much versatility in meeting his opponent's shock tactics, and often his punches were wide.

Third Division (South).

Bournemouth	v.	Mansfield T.
Bristol R.	v.	Norwich C.
Cardiff C.	v.	Brentford
Clapton O.	v.	Southend U.
Crystal Pal.	v.	Watford
Gillingham	v.	Coventry C.
Luton T.	v.	Exeter C.
Northampton	v.	Thames
Queen's P.R.	v.	Brighton
Reading	v.	Fulham
Torquay U.	v.	Swindon T.

Table to Date.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Brentford	8	6	1	1	15	8	13
Southend U.	8	5	3	0	15	6	13
Fulham	8	6	0	2	29	14	12
Bournemouth	8	5	2	1	20	11	12
Watford	8	5	1	2	28	20	11
Crystal Pal.	8	4	2	2	20	14	10
Luton T.	9	5	0	4	14	11	10
Exeter C.	9	4	1	4	15	10	9
Brighton	9	3	3	3	10	13	9
Cardiff C.	8	3	2	3	10	11	8
Norwich C.	8	3	2	3	12	9	8
Reading	8	3	2	3	11	15	8
Northampton	9	3	2	4	10	10	8
Coventry C.	8	3	1	4	10	20	7
Clapton O.	8	3	1	4	13	13	7
Bristol R.	8	2	3	3	14	14	7
Mansfield T.	8	2	3	3	13	20	7
Queen's P.R.	8	1	4	3	11	15	6
Swindon	8	2	0	6	14	18	4
Torquay U.	8	1	2	5	13	32	4
Thames	8	1	2	5	7	12	4
Gillingham	8	1	1	6	4	18	3

Third Division (North).

Accington S.	v.	Rotherham
Barrow	v.	Lincoln C.
Carlisle Un.	v.	York C.
Crewe A.	v.	Southport
Gateshead	v.	Hartlepool
Hullfax T.	v.	Darlington
New Brighton	v.	Chester
Rochdale	v.	Doncaster F.
Stockport C.	v.	Hull C.
Walsall	v.	Wigan Boro
Wrexham	v.	Tranmere R.

Table to Date.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Lincoln C.	8	7	0	1	25	10	14
Southport	9	6	1	2	15	10	13
Gateshead	8	5	1	2	21	9	11
Wrexham	9	4	3	2	20	14	11
Tranmere R.	8	5	0	3	24	8	10
Hull C.	8	5	0	3	16	9	10
Crewe A.	8	5	0	3	15	11	10
Barrow	8	5	0	3	13	11	10
York C.	8	5	0	3	13	10	10
Hartlepool	8	4	2	2	17	22	10
Accington S.	8	4	1	3	13	21	9
Darlington	8	4	1	3	9	7	9
Doncaster R.	8	3	1	4	16	14	8
Chester	9	2	4	3	17	18	8
Doncaster R.	8	3	1	4	14	20	7
Carlisle Un.	8	2	2	4	17	18	6
Rochdale	8	2	2	4	9	19	6
Rotherham	8	2	1	5	15	16	5
Walsall	8	2	1	5	10	18	5
Stockport	8	1	2	5	6	9	4
Wigan Boro	8	1	1	6	7	22	3
N. Brighton	8	0	1	7	4	21	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

First Division.

Aberdeen	v.	Partick T.
Clyde	v.	Ayr Un.
Dundee Un.	v.	Third Lanark
Falkirk	v.	Dundee
Hamilton A.	v.	Hearts
Kilmarnock	v.	Celtic
Leith Ath.	v.	St. Mirren
Morton	v.	Motherwell
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Rangers	v.	Cowdenbeath

First Division Table to Date.

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Motherwell	12	9	2	1	40	33	20
Rangers	11	8	1	2	28	10	18
Kilmarnock	12	8	2	2	25	15	18
Celtic	11	8	0	3	35	13	17
Third Lanark	12	7	1	4	25	15	15
Aberdeen	12	6	3	3	19	15	15
St. Mirren	12	6	0	6	10	19	12
Dundee	12	4	4	4	24	23	12
Cowdenbeath	12	4	4	4	21	25	12
Clyde	11	5	1	5	17	18	11
Partick T.	12	5	1	6	23	22	11
Hearts	12	4	2	6	12	16	10
Airdrieonians	11	4	1	6	22	24	9
Hamilton A.	12	3	3	6	21	25	9
Queen's Park	12	3	3	6	16	30	9
Dundee Un.	12	3	3	6	14	22	9
Morton	11	3	2	6	19	21	8
Leith Ath.	11	3	1	7	11	20	7
Falkirk	12	2	3	7	17	27	7
Ayr Un.	12	1	3	8	16	33	5

HERD INSTINCT

Likes and Dislikes.

(By E.V.D.)

I was accused recently of not liking dogs, and the indictment was based on my lack of enthusiasm for a Pom. I resented the accusation hotly. Afterwards I wondered why. I protest that I do like dogs. At the same time, I do not like them all in the same degree, preferring a terrier to a Pom and an intelligent mongrel to a dull aristocrat. But suppose I really had not liked dogs. Need I have been stricken with shame on that account? Why was I so anxious to defend my claim to be a dog lover?

I finally concluded that it was merely the herd instinct and the instinct of snobbery combined. To be accused of not liking dogs is to have one's taste, as well as one's qualities of heart, called into question. Mr. Robert Lynd has confessed in writing that he hates dogs, but he is an essayist with an essayist's privileges of perversity. The rest of us fear the opinion of our neighbours. For some reason which I have never been able to fathom, people are far less shy about confessing that they have no liking for children.

Similar inconsistencies of confession puzzle me. Few people who are bored by opera care to admit it. On the other hand, who ever heard of anyone blushing because he did not enjoy Shakespeare?

I can only admire mountains from a considerable distance. To see them towering immediately above me gives me subsequent nightmare. Yet if I admit this to other alleged mountain lovers I am looked at with scandalised eyes. It is the more exasperating, because I know many women feel the same way, but are afraid to admit it.

Why, again, are many of us loath to confess that we do not like oysters, caviare, champagne, or the books of Mr. Galsworthy? I am not too timid to admit that I do not

DEATH FOR BRIGAND.

SENTENCED BY HIS "UNION."

Man Who Held Up Corsican Resort.

"BANDIT HONOUR."

Paris, August 26.

The Corsican brigand Caviglioli, who held up the town of Guagno-les-Bains and killed a visitor has been sentenced to death by his "union" of fellow-brigands.

It appears that the bandits of Corsica have a kind of professional organisation to protect their interests and their honour, and they regard what Caviglioli has done as likely to bring discredit upon them. Their indignation has been expressed in a letter which Bartoli, who reigns in the mountains over forty outlaws, has addressed to a number of prominent people.

Bartoli's letter states that in one of their secret meetings places in the mountains they have tried Caviglioli by default, and that he will shortly have to go to "expiate a crime which has brought dishonour upon Corsican bandits."

The idea apparently is that the police should not trouble any further about the Guagno murder and robberies, but leave the outlaws to execute their own justice.

Outlaws' Organisation.

Not all these outlaws can properly be described as brigands, since many of them try to live without robbery. They are all, however, men who are wanted by the police on charges of murder or serious crimes of violence. Most of them have been sentenced to death by default.

The attitude of the bandits may be explained by the fact that most of those who are wanted for murder decline to admit that they have done anything dishonourable. They have killed people in quarrels or in fits of jealousy arising out of love affairs; but the honour of their corporation does not allow them to kill for robbery. They levy small but regular tolls upon more law-abiding neighbours, and thus assured of provisions and ammunition, are content to remain in their forests and mountain retreats.

Caviglioli is therefore doubly outlawed, and is now probably no more safe in the wilderness than he would be in the civilisation from which he fled. When forty bandits have declared that he shall expiate his crime, it may be safely assumed that he will be shot at sight.

enjoy these and many other generally accepted things. But such is the strength of the herd instinct, I am at the same time haunted by the feeling that I must have exceedingly poor taste.

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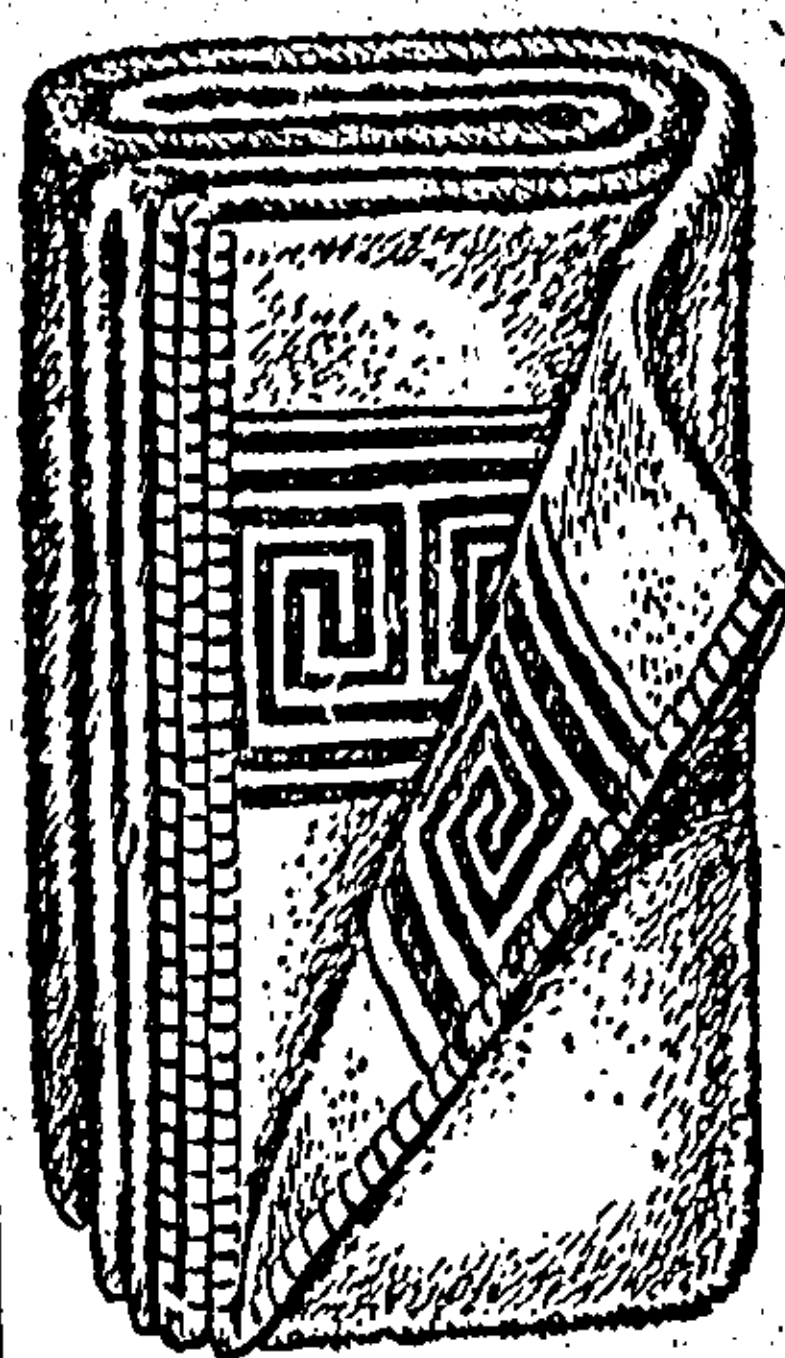
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Budget Features.

Thanks to the revenue this year exceeding expectations by three and a half million dollars, the Government has been enabled to present a balanced Budget and anticipate a balance of \$50,000 at the end of next year. It was pointed out, however, by the Government spokesman, the Colonial Secretary, that fluctuations in exchange can easily alter the whole picture; if the fluctuations are upward it should be possible to paint the picture in rosier colours than those he adopted at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday.

The first perusal of the Budget speech, occupying as it does nearly two whole pages of a newspaper, cannot justify necessarily hasty impressions, leading, may be, to weak or even erroneous criticisms. There is, for instance, the reduction in the European contingent of the Police by the elimination of one Inspector, one Sub-Inspector, one Sergeant, and sixteen Lance-Sergeants. This is a very serious retrenchment in the Force to whom is entrusted the duty of protecting the community and maintaining law and order. In a Colony in which, by virtue of its overwhelming alien Oriental population and by reason of its close proximity to the Southern Provinces of China, crises occur with dramatic unexpectedness, one would have considered that the application of the pruning knife would have been delayed till more tranquil days than those we are passing through now. A palliative is offered by a vote for \$18,500 for motor cycles, \$12,000 of which is in connection with the scheme of reducing the number of European Sergeants and Lance-Sergeants by substituting motor cycle patrols. It is stated that the difference between the pay of ten Lance-Sergeants and the cost of twelve motor cycles is \$25,000 and "the cost of the motor cycles does not form an annual charge." It is contended that the twelve push cycles will serve the dual purpose of making more efficient the

patrols in the northern part of the New Territories and along the boundary, and of enabling a small but compact body of men to be rushed to any danger spot. Excellent in theory, perhaps, so far as concerns the New Territories; but doubtful in practice in its application to the congested districts in the centre of the city. This tinkering with the European contingent of the Police may to some savour of real economy; to others it may appear like tempting Providence and inviting trouble.

The Prison Department is also to be victimised by a reduction of five European warders and a corresponding increase of ten Indian guards—the first half of the scheme for the replacement of ten Europeans by twenty Indians recommended by the Retrenchment Commission. Looking to the protracted handicap to the Superintendent of Prisons and his European staff of warders owing to the perpetual congestion of prisoners, one would have expected to find considerable reluctance in reducing the European personnel until such time as the new very costly jail were ready for occupation at Stanley. Nor—in regard to the latter—do we consider that the expenditure of no less a sum than \$4,500,000 in these hard times is the best method of solving the problem of providing better food and shelter for alien convicts. There are other methods of dealing with the question that are too obvious to labour here.

It is further proposed to fritter away \$770,000 on vehicular ferry piers, and the startling disclosure is made that the revised estimate for the total cost is two lakhs over the original estimate owing to the drop in exchange. The scheme has never had the unanimous approval of the business community, by many of whom it is considered premature to the extent of at least a decade.

The foregoing are not the only salient features of what we may describe as the gloomy side of the new Budget. Opportunity may be taken to deal with other phases—gloomy and otherwise—in subsequent issues.

From Other Pens.

A Happy Pun.

In a witty speech, delivered partly in German and partly in English, Herr W. Wissman (Germany), said at a banquet given at Dorchester House on September 2 to delegates attending the Illumination Congress in London:—"To-day a gentleman asked me which, in my opinion, is the brightest nation of the thirteenth or fourteen represented at the Illumination Congress. I replied, 'I will tell you if you will promise not to betray my confidence.' He agreed to keep the secret. Then I told him: 'The brightest nation here is Illumination!' (Loud laughter and cheers.)"

Lord Reading's New Brief.

On being congratulated the other day by a friend on two recent events, viz. his marriage and his appointment as Foreign Secretary, Lord Reading retorted that he was confident that the former would last longer than the latter.

On another occasion the new Foreign Secretary was asked how he liked his new office. "Well," was his cautious reply, "I know very little about foreign affairs." And, after a pause, he added pensively, "But, then, I am accustomed to getting up the most unexpected and unfamiliar briefs!"

Using Freedom Wisely.

A man was released from prison in Minnesota recently after serving nearly ten years for a crime he did not commit.

When asked by an interviewer what he had been doing since he came out, he smiled and said: "Lying under the trees and feeling the grass."

He had not been spending his time at the talks. They would have been all new to him, and one might expect him to be curious at least. He had not been going to ball games, nor doing any of the things one might expect a man to do after spending so many years behind prison walls. It wasn't because he did not have the money to indulge whatever little fancies might have attracted him, because during his incarceration he had earned \$452 for his prison labour.

But he lay under the trees and felt the grass.

The law found this man guilty and then it found him innocent. In the meantime he had suffered, and although his innocence was firmly established, it will not be an easy thing for him from now on in this busy world. Some will think he should have been out, looking for a job.

It is entirely probable that the way he chose to use his newly found freedom was the most profitable one possible. In the quiet happiness of those days, the conviction was perhaps borne in upon him that there is an immutable law of justice operating in the affairs of men, however clouded and tardy the human expression of it may seem. Such realization would give courage to carry on with a stout heart and help dissolve the memories of years of unjust imprisonment.—C.S.M.

News in Brief.

The next meeting of the Legislative Council has been fixed for October 22.

The Naval authorities report a capsized junk in Lat. 23.03. N. and Long. 121.53. E. It is a danger to navigation.

For dredging in the Harbour yesterday without a permit a boat-woman this morning was fined \$3 or three days' hard labour.

Votes totalling \$148,960, particulars of which have already been published, were approved by the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon.

The new motor ambulance intended for the Kowloon district will be formally received on loan by His Excellency the Governor, on behalf of the Government, on Tuesday at 5 p.m.

Personal Pars.

Mussolini became a grandfather, for the first time, when yesterday afternoon his daughter Edda, wife of Count Ciano, the Italian Consul General at Shanghai, gave birth to a son. Both mother and child are well.—Reuter.

CHINESE DOCTOR AND PAMPHLETS.

Found Pasted on A Mirror.

(Before Mr. Williams.)

Charged with having exhibited pamphlets of an inciting nature, Wong Kwok-sun, a Chinese doctor, of 340, Queen's Road Central, pleaded not guilty this morning. Inspector K. W. Andrew said that yesterday afternoon, in company with a Chinese detective, he entered defendant's floor, on information received. Defendant with six other Chinese were sitting in the front room. A mirror, on the lower part of which was pasted two pamphlets, hung on the wall between the two verandah doors, and was the largest article that hung in the room. Defendant stated he had not seen the papers. Nobody had their backs to the mirror. Opium implements were set out in the rooms.

Defendant, from the dock, said that the pamphlets were served at his premises by a "hostile" stranger two nights ago. Realising that they were against the law, he threw them into a basket. He did not know how they came to be pasted on to the mirror. He added that soon after the arrival of the Police he came out of a rear room and it was then he learned of the pamphlets. He had a witness to call.

The case was adjourned for 24 hours.

BURGLAR UNDER THE BED.

(Kowloon Police Court.)

Ho Kwok, an unemployed Chinese, was this morning charged with burglary at No. 24, Wai Ching Street, on September 30.

Inspector Clarke said that the complainant, Leung Mui, was awakened at 5 a.m. by someone moving something under the bed.

She called out and a man who was pulling a box from underneath the bed, bolted. He was caught emerging from the staircase, by an Indian constable. On his hurried flight down the stairs the defendant dropped two pairs of trousers which he had taken from the cubicle.

Six months' hard labour was imposed.

For more than two hours the club bore had been telling his stories to the occupant of the chair opposite him in the smoking-room. At last the wretched victim decided that he would have to be rude if he were to escape at all.

When the next story came to an end he gave a prodigious yawn.

"Excuse me," he said. But the club bore was a match for the best where rudeness was concerned.

"That's quite all right, old man," he wheezed. "It doesn't bother me at all. You see, I've lived close to the entrance of a railway tunnel for the last five years."

Anti-Malarial Work.

Among new public services, anti-malaria work is to be taken up, also infant welfare work. There is to be a Junior Technical School, and other educational development.

The Government anticipated a deficit this year of something over two million dollars, but now expects a surplus of about \$50,000, revenue having exceeded expectations by three and a half millions.

The estimated revenue for 1932 is \$33,991,510. The estimated expenditure is \$33,981,661.

The estimated revenue for 1932 is as under (the estimates of expenditure have already been published):

Duties	\$ 7,890,000
Port and Harbour Dues	798,000
Licences and Internal Revenue not otherwise specified	16,234,110
Fees of Court or Office	
Payments for Specific Purposes, and Reimbursements in Aid	2,112,100
Post Office	2,340,000
Kowloon-Canton Railway	1,100,000
Rent of Government Property, Land and Houses	1,407,300
Interest	150,000
Miscellaneous Receipts	208,000

Total, (exclusive of Land sales) 32,241,510

Land Sales, (Premiums on New Leases) 1,750,000

Total 33,991,510

COLONY'S BUDGET INTRODUCED.

Official Reasons for New Taxation.

BETTING TAX.

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.), in introducing the Budget at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, said that the present was a moment of great financial perturbation. He referred to the financial crisis in Britain, the local disturbances, fresh outbreak of unrest in China, and the setting up of a rival Government in Canton, and the troubles in Manchuria.

Reviewing the current year, he said that business had not been altogether unprosperous except in shipping. The extensive building programmes in Kowloon and Praya East and the activity on the Stock Exchange bore testimony of this prosperity. A reasonably healthy volume of business had been shown in the Colony's trade returns, and, but for the renewal of civil war in China and other disturbing elements, the Government would not have been forced to be so cautious in its Estimates.

Economy Axe.

It was indicated that some recommendations of the Retrenchment Committee had already been brought into force, and that the report of that Committee, together with a report by the Government showing which of the recommendations had been carried out, and commenting on the Commissioner's report generally (which is now in course of preparation) would be published shortly.

The Colonial Secretary said that the depreciated dollar had made the balancing of the Budget a cause of great anxiety and since any reduction in expenditure would impair efficiency, it had been decided to increase taxation. A Betting Tax, it was hoped, will be introduced before the end of the present year.

Less Europeans.

Reductions in staff were proposed in many departments. Five European warders will be reduced from the Prison Department, and there will be a corresponding increase of ten Indian guards. It was indicated that the Indian staff would be further increased by ten and that about fifty of the Indian staff were twelve or more months overdue for home leave.

Details of the staffing of a Junior Technical School which will be housed in the building at present occupied by the Victoria British School were also given.

Among the new works the Government has in view, but for which it has no funds, are a new Government Civil Hospital, a new Mental Hospital, a new Infectious Disease Hospital, a Post Office for Kowloon, a new block for Kowloon Hospital, and a new Central British School.

A Betting Tax is to be introduced.

The Government is abandoning the Civil Service Salaries compromise and will pay salaries at current exchange rate.

The Government is silent concerning stabilisation of the dollar.

A new Prison is to be commenced next year, out of loan. It is to be built at Stanley.

Among other new works are a new Magistracy for Kowloon and completion of the Shaikwan main road at Causeway Bay.

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To-day's Thought.

We remain young as long as we look forward; it is the backward look that makes us old.

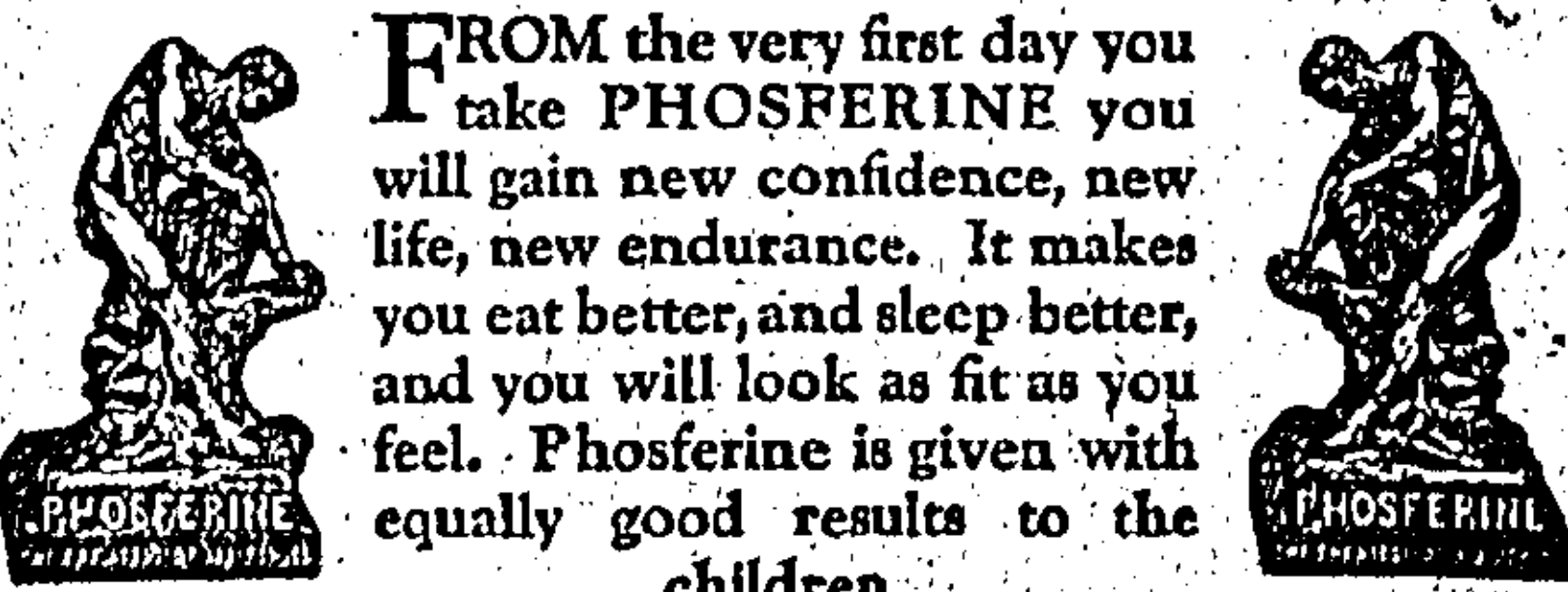
Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of October 2, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/11½.

Our advertising columns announce a series of meetings to be addressed by Dr. H. T. Hodgkin on some arresting subjects, which should have an appeal to all.

Two of the meetings are to be held in the St. Andrew's Hall and one at the Helena May Institute. At the Sunday meeting to be held in the Theatre, H.E. the Governor has kindly consented to take the chair, and the subject of the address will be "The Salvaging of Civilisation."



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OUR CONVERSATION

BRILLIANT BORES ALWAYS SPOIL
GOOD TALK.

(By H. C. Bailey.)

"O, my dear James, conversation is at a very low ebb in this world." So Timothy Tickler complained a hundred years ago, and one of our headmasters last week. To the headmaster, as is natural, parents are the root of the evil.

Are we satisfied, he demands of the parental conscience, are we satisfied with the topics of conversation at meal times and with our own contribution? Famous though headmasters are for putting other people at their ease, I venture to hint a doubt whether this is the way to prepare a feast of reason and a flow of soul in the family circle.

That awkwardness which, happily unknown to headmasters, is apt to arise in conversation between one generation and another, those difficulties in the selection of subjects and treatment within the understanding of age yet not too childish for youth, are often acute when a happy family is reunited for the holidays. Which of us does not remember young amazement at the stuff which our elders took seriously, young horror at the humours by which our elders were amused? And now we suffer the same emotions at the preferences of our children.

To arrange edifying and improving conversation round a family table is beyond the powers of ordinary men. Whether it would ever be worth while I take leave to doubt. Dull as a dinner party can be, the deepest depths of dullness are sounded when topics are started of malice aforethought to draw somebody out, and people come prepared to talk for effect.

If we were painfully to analyse each bout of conversation that we pass through, I suppose we should find nine times out of ten that we were not altogether satisfied with the topics or with our own share in the talk. Less of that subject and more of this we should have liked better, and the number of effective things we omitted to say is deplorable.

But this is a dreary, self-conscious form of meditation in which normal people do not often indulge. We prefer to take talk as it comes and goes, not as an earnest effort for the improvement of our minds or for a display of our wit. This careless attitude is an abomination to our headmaster who finds the English unsociable "because they have never developed intelligence in conversation."

By a recent, if not an ancient tradition, we are a dumb race. The tradition is certainly so far true that many other nations are much more fluent on anything and everything as it turns up. The ordinary operations of the daily round require a far larger quantity of talk in any country of the Continent known to me than with us.

But this is not conversation nor does it involve any intelligence, it is merely a preference for going through routine with many words instead of few. The Frenchman, we are to admit, takes more pains over making his ordinary phrases neat than we do, he is more apt to let his conversation range to large issues and general principles, and in this last quality the German will go beyond him. We are rather shy of these things unless we know our company very well.

But I am not persuaded to admit that the intelligence is developed through talk on high matters and deep matters by people who have nothing in particular to say and no particular right to say anything. At a time when there was much discussion of the religious difficulties of the forgotten Robert Elmore, "I like religion to be treated seriously," Browning complained, "and I don't want to know what this curate or that curate thinks about it."

I permit myself doubts of the value of any philosophising in conversation. The sage has things a great deal too much his own way. You are continually liable to be imposed upon by his claim to a solemn subject or a lofty purpose.

And with reverence I submit to the headmaster that being imposed upon by such pretences is the peculiar weakness of the English nation. Our desire for edification is so inordinate that we perpetually believe a serious subject makes what is said about it important.

You remember Charles Lamb's sorrowful answer to Coleridge. "Did you ever hear me preach?" asked the sage, who had been a parson as well as most other things. "I never heard you do anything else," Lamb stuttered. "Excellent talker, very," said Hazlitt, "if you let him start from no premises and come to no conclusion." And Carlyle's description of the process will be vivid as long as men talk and others listen. "To sit as a passive bucket and be pumped into, whether you consent or not, can in the long run be exhilarating to no human creature."

"But if it be withal a confused, unintelligible flood of utterance, threatening to submerge all known landmarks of utterance and drown the world and you! I have heard Coleridge talk with eager musical energy two stricken hours, his face radiant and moist, and communicate no meaning whatsoever to any individual of his hearers." But who has not suffered under a minor Coleridge?

There are other, there may be worse kinds of oratorical conversation. Queen Victoria is said to have complained that Mr. Gladstone spoke to her as if she were a public meeting. Our earnest nation has brought forth too many small Gladstones. "He discourses, he lectures, he harangues," so a faithful admirer wrote. "But if a subject is started which does not interest him it falls flat. He makes no attempt to return the ball." We all know that exhausting type, but you may rely upon it, it is always satisfied with its choice of subjects and its own contributions. Next among those who administer weariness and vexation of spirit I should put those who purvey information. The stock example, of course, is Macaulay, pouring out a relentless stream of facts on any and every subject. His knowledge, however, was large and generally accurate, and the common characteristic of people who insist upon giving you information is that they know little, and do not know that right. A conviction of one's duty to instruct others generally arises from ignorance.

Some will rank higher among bores than I should call the fourth class, the deliberate amusers, the wits, the dealers in good things. Long ago Smollett remarked that, while one wit in a party, like a knuckle of ham in a soup, might give a flavour, two were too many. This has always been the opinion of the wits themselves. Take Sydney Smith upon Talleyrand: "Lady Holland laboured incessantly to convince me that Talleyrand was agreeable, and was very angry, because his arrival was usually a signal for my departure." Sydney did, indeed, handsomely allow that nobody's wit was of so high an order and none had stood so well the test of time. But, in fact, if we put aside the shrewd political opinions that Napoleon's execution of D'Enghien was "worse than crime, a blunder," that Napoleon's death was "not an event, only news," and such things the wit has not worn very well. What smart talk does? Your circle may "echo helpless laughter to the jest" of an imitable Brookfield, but the jests will be flat enough in the morning, and the conversation which depends on the performances of such jesters is not the most delectable.

The argumentative man may be, as Cowper thought, a worse nuisance. There is no quenching him short of force. "For opposition gives opinion strength. Diverts the champions prodigal of breath and puts the peaceably disposed to death." But the name of bores is legion.

What, then, I may be challenged, is good talk? I will take refuge with Johnson. "The happiest conversation is that of which nothing is distinctly remembered, but a general effect of pleasing impression." I permit myself doubts of the value of any philosophising in conversation. The sage has things a great deal too much his own way. You are continually liable to be imposed upon by his claim to a solemn subject or a lofty purpose.

FASCINATION OF
SNAKES.Baseless Popular
Belief.(By E. G. Boulenger, Director,
Zoological Society's Aquarium.)

Scarcely a day passes when I do not overhear parents and teachers in the Zoo reptile house inform their charges that snakes fascinate their prey by the power of the eye, and this in spite of all the efforts at popularising natural history as opposed to unnatural history. Truth may be stranger than fiction, but it is often far less popular.

Those who believe in the hypnotic power of snakes should visit certain Continental Zoos, where these reptiles are fed on live animals in public. They will see there, as I have, three or four sparrows hopping round a rattlesnake capable of killing most of the human onlookers; or a mouse sitting upon a snake's back, upon which it feeds, dozes, or performs a leisurely toilet.

The writer was an eye-witness of an episode which illustrates this indifference on the part of "the quarry" popularly supposed to be fascinated or hypnotised by terror as soon as confronted with a snake. A pet serpent, known by the awe-inspiring title of the African Infernal Snake, which was owned by a well-known naturalist, was kept some years ago in a room in the Natural History Museum, where on a certain Autumn day it was given a white rat. The snake was not hungry and lived in harmony with the rodent until Winter came, when, prompted by instinct, it dug for itself a snug burrow, in which it proposed to forget all Winter ill—not the least of which was its high-spirited stable companion.

Not for long, however, was the snake left in peace, for the rat showed the ingenuity of its species in appropriating the ready-made nest. He hauled the snake out of his newly-constructed home, taking over the cosy burrow as his due. The wretched snake, faced with a Winter in the open, dug a fresh hole and once more settled himself in, but the rat, apparently deciding that the reptile's last effort was better than its first, plumed for the "better hole," and again evicted the rightful owner.

How long this might have gone on I cannot say, but Spring awakened the snake's appetite, and without wasting time on fascination it engulfed the autocentric rat.

In the olden days in the Zoo I have seen ducks worrying the coils of a huge python till they had forced them into a nest-like formation meeting with the birds' approval. So far as is known, only one kind of snake employs any kind of "fascination," and this is not achieved by the eye. A tropical tree snake possesses a lance-shaped head of striking colouration. The long forked tongue is similarly patterned, and being thrust in and out creates the illusion of a head that is telescoping in a truly night-mare fashion. The inquisitive lizard, faced with this phenomenon, gazes at it in perplexity, as well he may, and by the time his interests are fully aroused the snake is within striking distance—and the curtain falls.

It is quite likely that the snake's unwinking stare, due to its lack of eyelids, has much to answer for as regards the almost universal abhorrence in which all snakes, harmless or otherwise, are held. The sinuous wanderings common to all species are also doubtless prejudicial, since many other related creatures, such as worms and eels, having similar movements, share the snake's unpopularity.

One curious instance of possible "fascination" may be mentioned in connection with a numerous tribe of small and degenerate serpents known as burrowing or worm snakes. In these the tail is thick and rounded, and the eyes are so hidden by the head shields that the two extremities are almost indistinguishable, so that many ignorant persons have regarded them as being two-headed. This belief no doubt originated from their habit when pursued of burrowing their heads beneath the sand, but leaving the tail exposed and cocked in a threatening attitude.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex S.S. Benclench are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after October 5. Consignees for cargo ex S.S. Java are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after October 5.

BOOKS AS CURE FOR
INSOMNIA.Dean Inge Suggests His
Own Works.

The value of books to those in ill-health was emphasised by Sir Bruce Bruce-Porter, the noted physician, and Dean Inge, speaking on hospital libraries at the annual conference of the Literary Association, which opened at Cheltenham last month.

Dean Inge went so far as to hint that some works—including his own—might provide a cure for insomnia.

Sir Bruce Bruce-Porter said that the companionship of books for the sick was vitally necessary.

"The cost of living," he went on, "has gone up. So has the cost of dying. While many is spent lavishly in improvements in medical equipment, there is urgent need for re-creating the side which has to do with the mental welfare of inmates."

"Every hospital should have its library. But we need highly skilled librarians who not only love books but humanity."

Prayer Books and Cigarettes.

"The varied tastes of readers is surprising in hospitals. Men in distant lands have often found amusement in studying the pages of Bradshaw and planning trips for their own home leave."

"In one military hospital during the war there was at one time a great demand among patients for Prayer-books and Testaments printed on India paper. This was a puzzle until someone discovered that the inspiration was not a religious revival, but a shortage of cigarette papers. (Laughter.)"

"A librarian must have knowledge of the books to prescribe. He must not recommend a book on the Bronte family to a tubercular patient, since six of the children portrayed in the book died of consumption. (Laughter.) Rather should he recommend the lives of Voltaire, Emerson, and Ruskin, who all lived to an advanced age in spite of the disease."

Dean Inge observed that he had never heard it suggested that doctors might prescribe certain authors in cases of persistent insomnia.

"I have reason to believe that my own works are especially valuable in these cases, because I have often found my wife sleeping peacefully with one of my own books upside down on her knee." (Laughter.)

Reading Aloud.

"We do not do enough reading aloud," said Dean Inge. "The old practice of reading aloud in the family circle is a very delightful one. I was brought up on it."

"Reading aloud takes one alone at just the right pace. Most people read too quickly. I can read books of all kinds except trashy novels, obsolete theology, books of field sports, except when the hunter is properly mauled by wild beasts, and mathematics, which I am congenitally unable to understand."

"As one gets on one should read less. I do not read so much philosophy and theology as I used to, because if I agree with the writer I know most of what he wants to tell me, and if I do not his arguments make no impression on me." (Laughter.)

A NOVEL TOURNAMENT.

A chess tournament, in which the players will have neither chess boards nor pieces, is about to be held in Paris. It will celebrate the migration of one of the most important chess clubs from one part of the Palais Royal to another. Until 11 years ago the club had its headquarters in two cafes near the Comedie Francaise. Then it shifted to a cafe in the garden of the Palais Royal. But as this is to be pulled down it has now moved to another of the Palais which has such an interesting past that it is classed as an historical monument.

To celebrate the removal it has been arranged that a world famous master shall play eight of the best French players. The matches will take place in a small room, and the players will not be allowed to make notes. As the moves are called out they will be registered on chess boards in outer rooms accessible to the public. The tournament will therefore be one of the most difficult ever arranged, the master and his eight opponents having to rely entirely on memory.

560 LB. TUNNY
CAUGHT.First of Season at
Scarborough.

Scarborough, September 1.

There was great excitement on the pier here this afternoon when Mr. Mitchell Henry, the well-known London big-game angler, brought in the first tunny caught by rod and line off Scarborough this year.

Curiously enough just over twelve months ago Mr. Mitchell Henry was the first to catch this huge specimen of the mackerel family off the Yorkshire coast, and was presented with a souvenir by the Scarborough Harbour Commissioners.

Mr. Mitchell Henry was accompanied on his present trip by Lord Egerton and Mr. F. B. Hannan, vice-chairman of the British Sea Angling Association.

A Fine Specimen.

It was officially announced to-night that the tunny weighs 566lb., and its length is 9ft. and its girth 5ft. 8in. It is not the largest tunny caught off Scarborough, but it put up the stoutest fight of any caught up-to-date. Mr. Mitchell Henry had six and a half hours' tussle with him.

In an interview on the pier, Mr. Mitchell Henry said:—

"We left port at eleven o'clock on Monday morning and went out altogether between 40 and 50 miles. We hung about amongst trawlers, and about a quarter to three this morning, when it was pitch-dark, I hooked my fish. He was a stout fellow, and it was a quarter to nine before he gave in and sank."

"I have had a long experience of tunny fishing in many waters, but I have never had such a fight in my life. My biggest fight before has been four and a half hours, and then not with tackle I know, which is my own invention."

Mr. F. B. Hannan, in conversation, agreed with Mr. Mitchell Henry, and said when he caught a tunny quite as heavy as the one landed to-day, he got it in an hour and a half. He added all the tunny caught off Scarborough last year were spent females, but this one is a male fish in perfect condition.

Mr. Mitchell Henry is sending the fish to Harrogate in the morning, and it will be cut up by a local fish merchant and sold as food.

Mr. Paul Latham, M.P. for the Scarborough and Whitby Division, has given a trophy which will go to the angler who catches the heaviest tunny during the season, and the Scarborough Corporation will give to every successful angler souvenir buttons of bronze, silver, and gold, according to the size of the tunny caught.

ALPINISTS' RARE FIND.

A discovery of great interest has just been made in the Gorges du Verdon on the southern boundary of the Haute Alpes Department. The Gorges are noted for their picturesque precipices, many of which have never yet been explored.

Recently M. Serre, the Mayor of Egulles, with five companions set out to examine one of them. By means of a lead line they discovered a shelf of rock at a depth of 75ft. and descended on to it. They next found a deep pit, the sides of which were formed by massive rock and let themselves down into this to a depth of 120ft.

Returning to the surface they established a depot of ropes, ropeladders, axes, and powerful acetylene lamps. Then M. Serre went down again about 240ft. and set up another store of climbing equipment. He then descended alone into the dark depths for a distance of 450ft. There, standing on solid rock, he faced the entrance to a magnificent cave, which he declares to be one of the finest in France. It comprises five great halls, pillared by white stalactites—a veritable fairyland palace. He spent the night there before beginning his ascent.

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S. LACK, Manager.
Hong Kong, October 1, 1931.

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H. EFFERSOE,
Actg. Superintendent.
Hong Kong, September 30, 1931.

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Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., September 12) Empress of Canada
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, September 4) Pres. Monroe
Australia and Manila Nellore
Amoy Sirdhana
Manila President Jefferson

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2.

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Saigon Shun Chih 4.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles
Hakusan Maru. (Due Marseilles, October 31)
K.P.O.
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Letters 4.30 p.m. Letters 6 p.m.
Formosa Havelland 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong Canton 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan Kashima Maru 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A., Canada, C. and S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Sq. Ft.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	100	Kau Pui Shek	100 ft. by 100 ft.	10,000	100	1,000

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GENERAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.

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By Order,
Y. C. JEFFREY HUANG,
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September 30, 1931.

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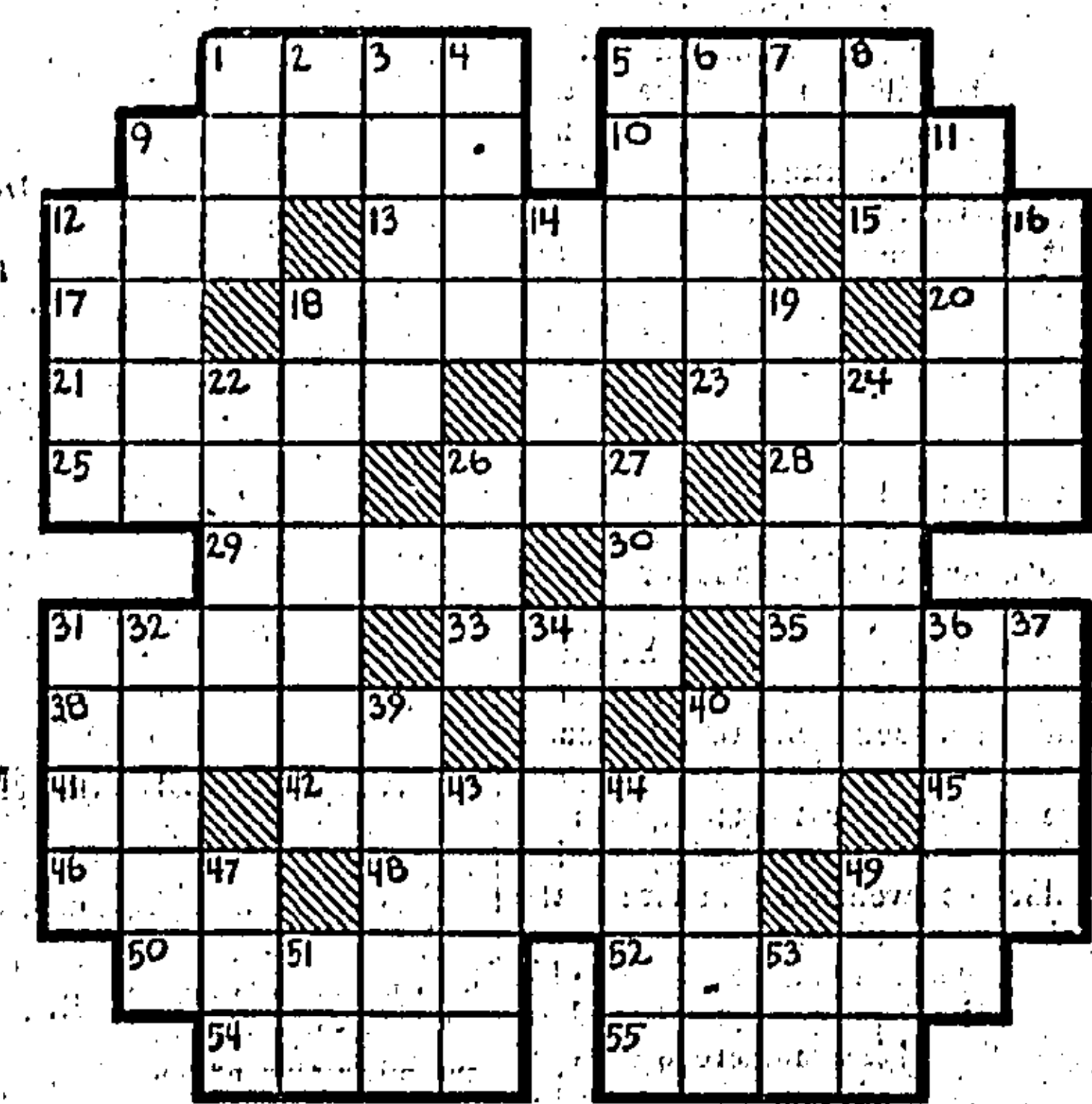
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Bank, on demand	1/1 3/4	
Bank, 4 months' sight	1/1 3/4	
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/3 3/4	
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/3 1/2	
On Paris—	On demand	570
Credits, 4 months' sight	655	
On Berlin—	On demand	Nom
On New York—	On demand	22 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	25 1/2	
On Bombay—	Wire	77 1/2
On demand	77 1/2	
On Calcutta—	Wire	77 1/2
On demand	77 1/2	
On Singapore—	On demand	49 1/2
On Manila—	On demand	45 1/2
On Shanghai—	On demand	Tls. 77
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Rugby, Yesterday.		
Paris	1000	
New York	3.95	
Brussels	28	
Geneva	20	
Milan	77 1/2	
Amsterdam	9 1/2	
Berlin	16 1/2	
Stockholm	17	
Copenhagen	18	
Oslo	18	
Vienna	30 1/2	
Helsingfors	160	
Prague	130	
Madrid	48 1/2	
Lisbon	108 1/2	
Athens	300	
Bucharest	665	
Rio	3 1/2	
Buenos Aires	33 1/2	
Montevideo	22 1/2	
Bombay	1 1/5 3/4	

(Continued at foot of next Column.)

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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|---|---|---------------------------|
| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1—Foundation | 38—A military title (abbr.) | 8—Decay |
| 5—Scout | 40—Follow as a consequence | 9—Pleasure |
| 9—More lucid | 41—Towards | 11—The nostril |
| 10—Member of the lowest order of nobility | 42—Percolating | 12—Any open space |
| 12—Likely | 43—Egyptian sun-god | 14—Heavenly body |
| 13—A bovine ruminant | 44—Unit | 15—Pretense |
| 15—Sailor (Colloq.) | 45—To alter the form of | 16—Ample |
| 17—A land measure (abbr.) | 46—Paid | 18—A treaty port of China |
| 18—A soldier's drinking flask | 48—A spiced dish of birds roasted in wine (Fr.) | 22—Furze |
| 20—Rifle (abbr.) | 50—A proof | 24—Labor |
| 21—A fungus that grows on rye | 52—Likewise | 26—A pain |
| 23—Satisfies (abbr.) | 53—The god of war (Norse Myth.) | 27—A beverage |
| 25—Summit | | 31—The lowest female |
| 26—Constellation | | 32—King of bees (pl.) |
| 28—Part of the face | | 34—Mature |
| 29—Hazard | | 36—Dismal |
| 30—An evil giant-god (Norse Myth.) | | 37—Rent |
| 31—Beads | | 39—Abounds |
| 32—Before | | 40—Finished |
| 33—Wrongs | | 43—Discharge |
| | | 44—To inside of |
| | | 47—Consumes |
| | | 49—Noise |
| | | 51—The (Fr.) |
| | | 53—Jumbled type |

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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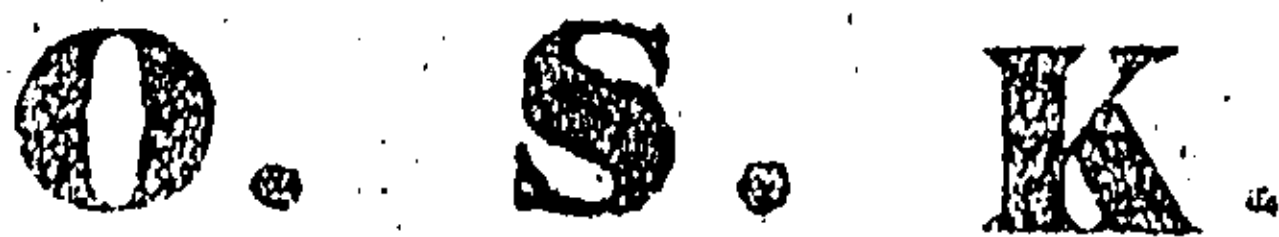
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Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	\$	...	1600	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 45.70
Chartered Bank	...	...	12	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Mercantile Bk., Ltd.	...	...	18	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Bank of Asia	...	...	134	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Insurance.						
Caution Ins.	\$	...	1500	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Union Ins.	\$	400	...	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
China Underwriters	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
China Fire Ins.	\$	...	600	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
H. K. Fire Ins.	\$	...	1485	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Shipping.						
Douglas	\$	...	24	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
H. K. Steamships	\$	...	27	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Indo-China (Pref.)	\$	...	40	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(Def.)	\$	...	30	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Shells Steamer	\$	...	1104	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Union Waterways	\$	...	98	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Mining.						
Benguet	\$	...	19	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Kailan Mining Ad.	\$	...	390	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Langkat (Single)	\$	...	435	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Shal Exploration	\$	...	3	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Loans	\$	...	44	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Raubi	\$	...	371	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Venezuela Gold Fields	\$	...	31	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & K. Wharves	\$	...	151	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
H. K. & W. Docks	\$	...	80	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
South Ch. Motors (A)	\$	...	10	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(B)	\$	...	11	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
China Provident (old)	\$	...	130	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(new)	\$	...	12	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Hongkong Tls.	\$	...	208	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
N. Engineering Tls.	\$	...	620	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Shanghai Docks	\$	...	103	...	Apr.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Land, Hotels & Buildings.						
H. K. & S. Hs. (old)	\$	...	15	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(new)	\$	...	14	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
H. K. Lands	\$	...	86	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Shanghai Lands	\$	...	89	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Hampshire (old)	\$	...	192	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(new)	\$	...	191	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
H. K. Real Estate	\$	...	15	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Chinese Estates	\$	...	94	...	Feb.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cotton	\$	...	17.50	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Shanghai Cotton	\$	...	95	...	Apr. and Oct.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Zong Sing	\$	...	10	...	June	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Public Utilities.						
H. K. Tramways	\$	21	...	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Peak Tram (old)	\$	...	141	...	Apr.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(new)	\$	...	6.85	...	Apr.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Sar Perce	\$	...	96	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Yamat Feries	\$	90	...	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
China Light	\$	...	96	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
H. K. Electric	\$	80	78	...	Sept.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Macao	\$	...	98	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Sandakan Lights	\$	...	12	...	June	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
H. K. Tel. fully paid	\$	...	60	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
part paid	\$	...	30	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
China Buses	\$	...	17.50	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
S'pore Traction (Ord.)	\$	...	4	...	Sept.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(Pref.)	\$	...	10	...	Sept.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Industrials.						
China Sugars	\$	...	20	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Malacca Sugars	\$	...	89	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Cald Macg. Ord.	\$	...	14	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Pref.	\$	...	101	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Canton Ice	\$	...	7.50	...	July	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Cement (com.)	\$	181	18.40	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(old)	\$	...	10	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(new)	\$	...	6	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
H. K. Ropes	\$	161	101	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farms	\$	...	81	...	Dec.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Watsons	\$	102	151	...	Oct.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Doz A Wings	\$	...	1	...	...	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Lanc Crawfords (old)	\$	...	51	...	Feb.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(new)	\$	...	10	...	Feb.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Mackintosh	\$	...	12	...	Feb.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Sincere	\$	...	12	...	Feb.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Wm. Powells	\$	...	3.60	...	Feb.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Miscellaneous.						
H. K. Amusement	\$	...	241	...	Mar.	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
C. Entertainment (old)	\$	...	15	...	...	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(new)	\$	...	15	...	...	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
Sou. Ch. Enterprises	\$	...	11	...	...	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
H. K. C. (old)	\$	...	3.85	...	...	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
(new)	\$	...	2.90	...	...	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
B. Ind. C. S. Bonds	\$	720	...	...	...	Interim 2nd 1st 1931 17.50
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KATORI MARU	Saturday	31st October.
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KITANO MARU	Saturday	21st November.
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TANGO MARU	Wednesday	14th October.
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KATSURAGI MARU	Wednesday	21st October.
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LIMA MARU	Monday	12th October.
CALCUTTA	via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
HAKODATE MARU	Thursday	8th October.
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BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AUCKLAND & WELLINGTON via Manila.	Tues.	5th Oct.
JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Services)	Fri.	9th Oct.
LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez & Port Said.	Sun.	11th Oct.
NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama. Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Mon.	5th Oct.
BOMBAY & KARACHI via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Colombo	Sat.	3rd Oct.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Mon.	5th Oct.
HAMBURG via Heligoland & Pskov (Fortnightly).	Fri.	2nd Oct.
KEELING via Swatow & Amoy (3 p.m. every Sunday)	Sun.	18th Oct.
JAPAN PORTS via Keelung & Shanghai	Sun.	4th Oct.
TAKAO via Swatow & Amoy (Fortnightly)	Sun.	11th Oct.
JAPAN PORTS via Keelung & Shanghai	Thurs.	8th Oct.

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Steamer	Leaves Hong Kong	Arrives Wuchow	Leaves Wuchow	Arrives Hong Kong
TAI HING	FRI. 2nd	SUN. 4th	MON. 5th	TUES. 6th
TAI MING	MON. 5th	WED. 7th	THURS. 8th	FRI. 9th
TAI HING	THURS. 8th	SAT. 10th	SUN. 11th	MON. 12th
TAI MING	SAT. 10th	MON. 12th	TUES. 13th	WED. 14th
TAI HING	WED. 14th	FRI. 16th	SAT. 17th	SUN. 18th
TAI MING	FRI. 16th	SUN. 18th	MON. 19th	TUES. 20th
TAI HING	TUES. 20th	THURS. 22nd	FRI. 23rd	SAT. 24th
TAI MING	THURS. 22nd	SAT. 24th	SUN. 25th	MON. 26th
TAI HING	MON. 26th	WED. 28th	THURS. 29th	FRI. 30th
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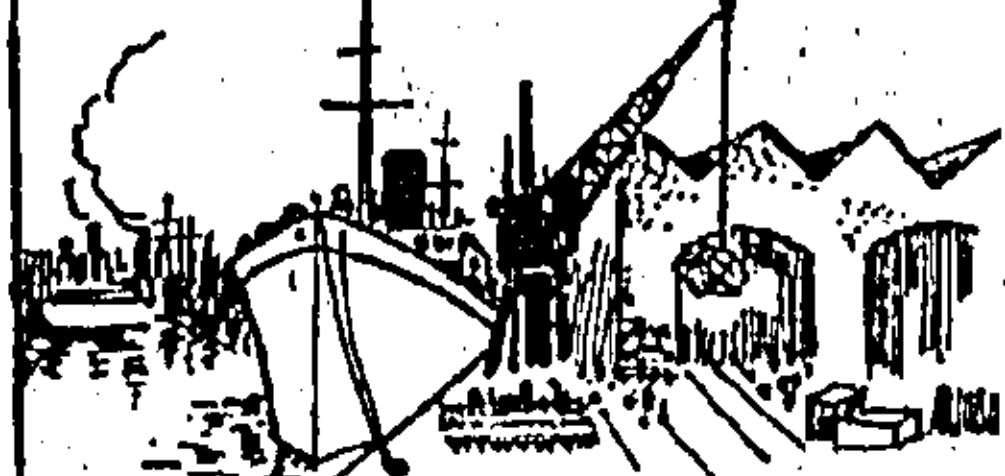
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Shipping Intelligence

WATER LEVELS.

Details for West, North and East Rivers.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:—

	Sept. 29	Sept. 30
West River at Shihing	5.6	6.4
North River at Samshul	6.5	6.4
North River at Tsingyuen	4.8	4.6
East River at Sheklung	3.9	3.7

The highest levels recorded are:—Shihing, 41 feet; Tsingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshul, 27.3 feet; Sheklung, 11.5 feet.

The lowest levels on record are minus 5 feet at Samshul and minus 2.7 feet at Sheklung.

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The liner Strathnaver, the latest addition to the P. and O. fleet, arrived at Tilbury on September 4, in readiness for her first voyage to Australia from the Thames on October 2. She had come round from the Clyde with a distinguished company aboard. It included Lord Inchcape (chairman of the P. and O. Company) and Lady Inchcape and Major General Sir Granville Ryrie (High Commissioner for Australia).

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October 2 to 8, 1931.

DATE	(HIGH WATER)	LOW WATER
Colours	Standard Times	Standard Times
Fri.	2 12 49	4 1 40
Sat.	3 3 42	6 18 53
Sun.	4 0 28	6 4 15
Mon.	5 01 15	6 19 31
Tues.	6 01 25	6 11 51
Wed.	7 04 03	6 13 30
Th.	8 05 51	6 14 14

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Thursday, October 1.
Bremerhaven, German str., 317 tons, Capt. Engles, from Madang, buoy No. C4.—Melchers & Co.
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Kinsen Maru, Japanese str., 2,933 tons, Captain Kayakawa, from Milke, Kowloon Bay M.B.K.
Linan, British str., 1,556 tons, Capt. J. Layton, from Swatow, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.
Lyeemoon, British str., 1,734 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Hoihow, buoy No. A15.—Kwong Nam & Co.
Mito Maru, Japanese str., 4,358 tons, Captain Y. Moroki, from Singapore, Stonecutters Anchorage.—N.Y.K.
New Mathilde, British str., 842 tons, Capt. D. Thomas, from Whampoa, buoy No. B19.—Yik Tai & Co.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—
Berwick—North arm.
Bridgewater—North wall.
Cornflower—North wall.
Magnolia—No. 7 buoy.
Medway—In dock.
Moth—South wall.
Phoenix—East wall.
Sandwich—No. 8 buoy.
Serapis—Kowloon wharf.
Sterling—Kowloon wharf.
Stormcloud—Kowloon wharf.
Submarines—West wall.
Tamar—Basin.
Foreign Men-of-War.
Bulmer—American gunboat.
Helena—American gunboat.
On Pak—Chinese gunboat.
Szechuen, British str., 1,594 tons, Captain S. M. Barling, from Swatow, buoy No. B14.—B. & S.
Tijmenteng, Dutch str., 4,054 tons, Capt. Anderdijk, from Balikpapan, buoy No. A10.—J.C.J.L.

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Bangkok	" Nov. 4

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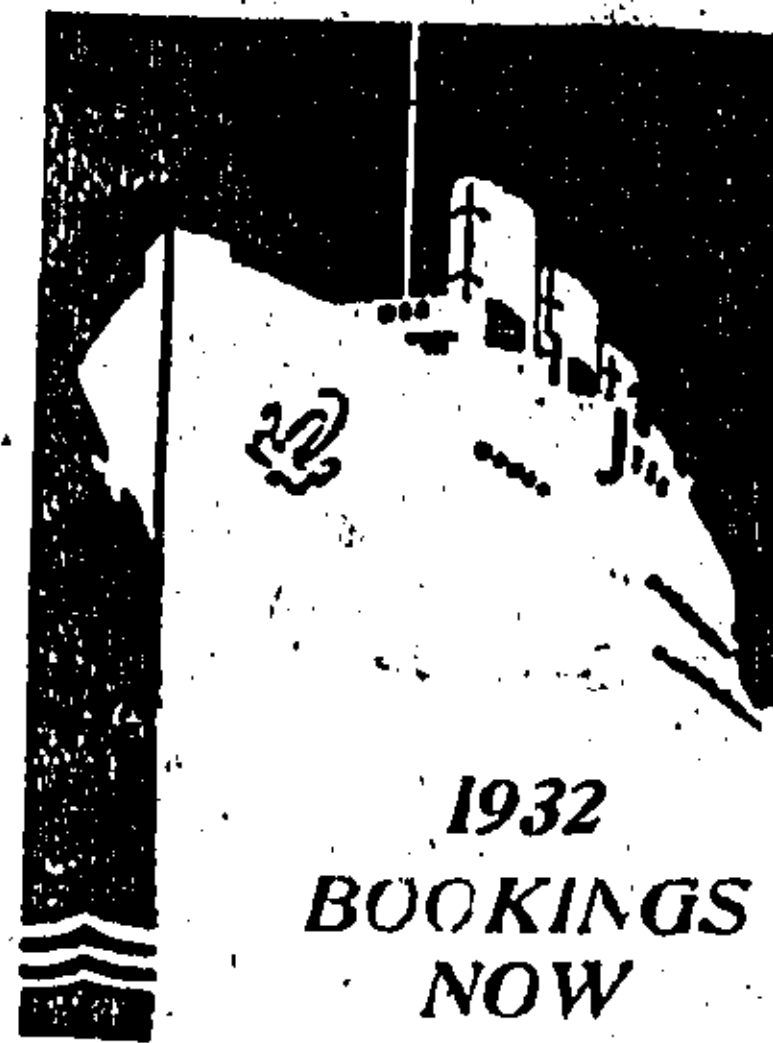
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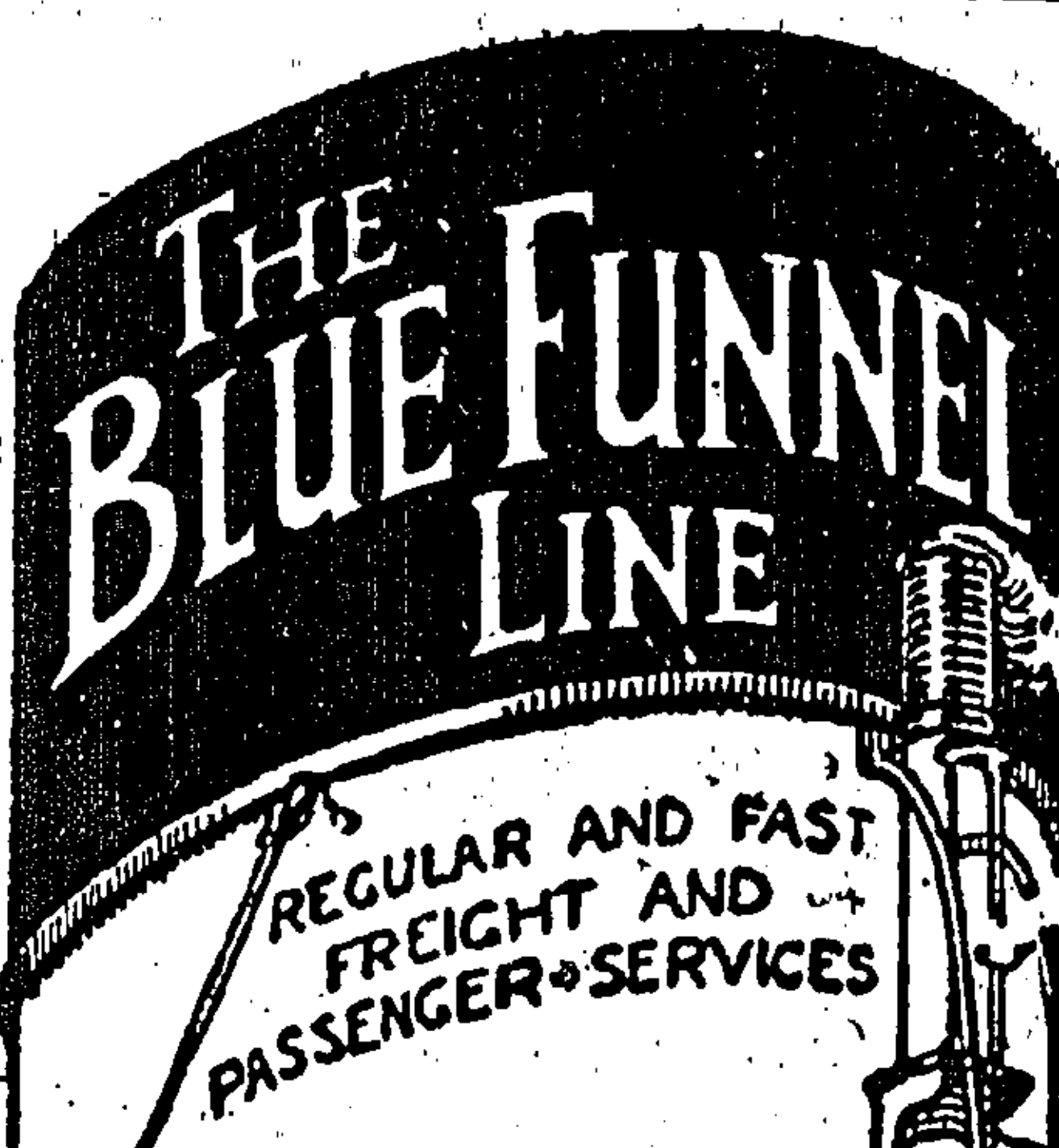
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Diane

"Sinner's Holiday" gives Lucille La Verne, a veteran of the stage, who once played Shylock in London, an opportunity for a powerful performance as "Ma" Delano, proprietress of a penny arcade at a beach resort. We see this woman with but one weakness—her son, who is guilty of murder. The son is played by James Cagney, who is making a big name for himself in the type of gangster role. I am anxious to see him. He played this part on the New York stage. Born on the East side of New York, Parents Irish, he battled his way through life, starting as an errand boy. By a stroke of luck he was sent to Columbia University to study architecture, but ran away and toured in vaudeville. Then came a chance on the stage with another Irish-American, Charles Bickford, now with Warners, and making one grand success. Also, in this cast will be found two new comers from the stage, Joan Blondell and Evelyn Knapp, both of whom are also claiming success. The picture is interesting, sordid, ugly and rather unbelievable, but I can assure you that you will at least see real acting by all concerned, including Grant Withers, ex-husband of Loretta Young, and Warren Hymer without humour, for a change, as a crook. It deserves applause. (Queen's).

In its best moments "I Take This Woman" is a thoroughly good picture, touched with the thrill of genuine human emotions. Quite a relief to meet a genuine cow-boy, and a pampered society girl whose emotions are not distorted. All praise to Carole Lombard and Gay Cooper. The most impressive parts in the film are those on the ranch where the girl, really in love, tries to adjust herself to a life of monotony and hardship. The story is sentimental, but there is about it a feeling of sincerity. Garry looks none too well. He left shortly afterwards for a tour of Europe. Carole's beauty is as evident as ever, although she sinks to the level of a drudge on the ranch. She impresses me greatly. Advised. (King's).

Those bad boys, Victor McLaglen and El Brendel meet Fifi Dorsay in "Hot for Paris." I leave the rest to your imagination. I might say that it is a sequel to "Cock-eyed World." Rough and boisterous, and a little funny. Both the men are up to scratch. (Star).

In "Murder by the Clock" we have an eccentric old lady who is doomed to be murdered the moment she is seen, just as her half-idiotic son is sure to be expected. BUT as soon as Lilyan Tashman appears as her daughter-in-law, you know that she is the villainess of the story. Lilyan is at her most exaggerated, and the mystery is mystery no longer. You will only wait for her arrest. William Boyd, Regis Toomey, Irving Pichel, and Sally O'Neil are others involved in this thriller. Giving credit where it is due, I give it this time to the camera man. Only by his superb photography is the suspense maintained, and most certainly adds interest to the story. "Lilyan the sophisticate." Hollywood's Fashion Plate. What she wears to-day all the women endeavour to wear tomorrow. After over six years she is still happily married to Edmund

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Retakes of this picture, "The Viking," cost Varick Friesell and twenty-five others their lives when an explosion destroyed their ship off the coast of Labrador. There are some amazing shots of Arctic sealing, fascinating adventures on the sea of ice, and playful, adorable baby seals. An attempt at a story, but certainly highly interesting and most dramatic. (World).

Coming shortly—Mark Twain's immortal satire—"A Yankee at the Court of King Arthur," which was a big success in the silents, comes to the Talkies with Will Rogers, under the title of "A Connecticut Yankee." It is wholesome, irresistible fun, with Will at his best as the drawing Yankee. William Farnum, Myrna Loy, and others are in it. (Due to King's).

Drama with a capital "D" is "The First Lady of the Screen" in one of her most dramatic parts. If you did not see Ruth Chatterton in "Madame X" at the Queen's, do not fail to visit the Star. In technical ability Ruth Chatterton is second to none. Her training on the stage under Henry Miller was a rigid one. What a riot she was in "Daddy Long-legs" and "Come out of the Kitchen." Now in her late thirties, she is placed with the Garbo as the leading actress on the screen. Married in 1924 to Ralph Forbes, an English actor, who was then appearing then in "Havoc" on Broadway. Ruth has a keen dramatic sense. When she is through with acting she will most likely become the greatest woman Director. "Madame X" is so stuff (remember Pauline Frederick in it!) but worth seeing. (Star).

Quiet is due in "The Iron Man." Robert Armstrong, John Miljan, with the aid of two beauties, Mary Doran and Jean Harlow, make this story of a prize fighter most interesting. It is directed by Tod Browning, who did "Dracula"—and was responsible for most of the successes of the late Lon Chaney. (Central).

Warners "On With The Show" has a good cast which includes Betty Compson, Louise Fazenda, Arthur Lake, Sally O'Neill, Joe Brown, William Bakewell etc. It is not overburdened with music, so this should prove a draw. It is directed by Alan Crosland and the dances arranged by Larry Cebellos. (Queen's).

Three little girls came to the city, as little girls often do. One is a good girl (too good to be true), Loretta Young. One is bad, and causes an awful amount of trouble—Joan Marsh. And the other we are not quite sure about—Joyce Compton. Anyhow the girls are pretty and the men, Lew Cody and John Wayne concerned. The story is not new, but the dialogue is fairly snappy. (King's).

In "Daybreak" Ramon Novarro,

leads her own life. Lilyan Tashman is a power in the film Colony with which to be reckoned. (King's).

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HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

		Sept. 22, June, June,			1931. 1918. 1914.		
		Cts. Cts. Cts.					
Butcher Meat.							
Beef Sirloin	牛尾肥	lb.	33	24	12		
Prime Cut	牛尾	lb.	30	23	11		
Corned	咸牛	lb.	23	12			
Roast	肉	lb.	33	24	22		
Breast	牛	lb.	30	20	18		
Soup	湯	lb.	27	20	18		
Steak	牛	lb.	33	24	22		
Steak Sirloin	牛	lb.	46	30	26		
Sausages	牛	lb.	30	26	20		
Bullock's Brains	牛	lb.	10	12			
Tongue, fresh	牛	lb.	75	60	60		
Tongue, corned	牛	lb.	60				
Head	牛	lb.	120	120			
Heart	牛	lb.	24	18	14		
Hump, Salt	牛	lb.	20	18			
Feet	牛	lb.	12	10	12		
Kidneys	牛	lb.	15	10	12		
Tail	牛	lb.	27	20	22		
Liver	牛	lb.	24	13	14		
Tripe	牛	lb.	8	6	7		
Calves' Head & Feet	牛	lb.	150	100	100		
Mutton Chop	羊	lb.	44	23			
Leg	羊	lb.	44	23			
Shoulder	羊	lb.	40	24			
Saddle	羊	lb.	44				
Pig's Chittlings	猪	lb.	30	27			
Brains	猪	lb.	18	15			
Feet	猪	lb.	30	15	18		
Head	猪	lb.	20	20			
Heart	猪	lb.	18	10	10		
Kidneys	猪	lb.	15	10	3		
Liver	猪	lb.	48	50	24		
Fork Chop	猪	lb.	40	25	23		
Leg	猪	lb.	42				
Loin	猪	lb.	45	60	70		
Fat or Lard	猪	lb.	20	21			
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊	lb.	60	60	70		
Heart	羊	lb.	12	8	7		
Kidneys	羊	lb.	15	12	10		
Liver	羊	lb.	45	26	25		
Sucking Pigs, to order	猪	lb.	25	25	22		
Suet, Beef	猪	lb.	30	20	18		
Mutton	羊	lb.	36	26	26		
Veal	猪	lb.	22	20	20		
Sausages	猪	lb.	28				
No. 1	猪	lb.	32				
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Barbel	魚	lb.	58	16	24		
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Governor Expresses
Intense Horror.

REVIEW OF EVENTS.

Speaking on behalf of himself and the Government, His Excellency, at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council expressed intense horror at the disgraceful acts which were committed and the tragedies which occurred during the anti-Japanese riots in the Colony.

H.E. the Governor said:— Before proceeding with the business of the day I wish to make reference to the deplorable events which occurred towards the end of last week and, on behalf of myself and the Government, to express our most intense horror at the disgraceful acts which were committed, and the tragedies which occurred. I should like, also, to tender to the Japanese residents in this Colony the deepest sympathy, not only of myself and my officers, but also of this Council, on the treatment which they received and the hardships which they experienced.

Strong Views.

I find it difficult to express sufficiently strongly my views on what occurred. Hong Kong has, hitherto, afforded all its residents of whatever nationality a measure of safety and security which could not be surpassed in any other country. It is well known that when China has been suffering from war and famine, people have come thence to this Colony in search of security and comparative comfort, and they have never been denied it. All that is asked of those who come here, in return for the security afforded, is that they observe the principles of law and order, and do not interfere with the persons and property of others. If they fail to do this, their presence will not be tolerated.

Colony's Name Besmirched.

The events of last week have besmirched the name of this Colony, and it behoves all those who live in it to help to clear that name. There is some satisfaction perhaps in knowing that the more responsible Chinese citizens most strongly reprobate what has happened, and that the acts committed were in the main by less responsible people, and that probably evil influences were behind them.

I wish to pay a tribute to the work done by the Police in the course of those riots. They had a difficult task, for the disturbances were very sporadic in nature, and just as they seemed to have been quelled in one place, they broke out in another.

An Unfounded Statement.

It has been suggested in some quarters that the Police were not sufficiently backed by Government, but I am sure that the Inspector General of Police will endorse my assurance that such was not the case, and that any help asked for by him was at once given, and any measures suggested by him carried out. I have seen it stated that the Police were forbidden to use their revolvers until things came to such a pass that these orders had to be disregarded. There is no truth whatever in such a statement.

It would be as well to recapitulate the course of events, giving information as regards the action taken. On Wednesday, the 28th

September, China declared what has been usually described as a day of humiliation, and it appears that a certain number of people in this Colony flew flags at half mast. This, in itself, is not an illegal act, and it did not appear that any bad results were likely to follow. That evening there were some mild demonstrations at Wanchai, which were promptly dealt with by the Police.

Chinese Press Warned.

On Thursday, the 29th, in view of the possibility of any trouble occurring, I had a conference with the Chinese members of this Council. I gave instructions to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs to warn the editors of the Chinese Press that nothing in the shape of anti-Japanese propaganda should be published in their papers and that they must confine themselves to statements of fact and fair comment. I also gave instructions that the managers of various places of entertainment should be warned that if any anti-Japanese propaganda took place in such places of entertainment they would be at once closed. The Chinese members promised to assist and consult regularly with the Secretary for Chinese Affairs in case of developments. This they have loyally done, giving great assistance to the authorities.

Early Disturbances.

On Thursday there were one or two minor disturbances, which were promptly dealt with. On Friday the disturbances were rather more numerous in Victoria, but apart from one case they were not serious, and at midnight the city was perfectly quiet. Some trouble started in Kowloon, in one district only, on that day, but was promptly suppressed and the Police felt that they had the situation well in hand. I may say that I was myself in the town on Friday night and saw no signs whatever of trouble. I conferred with the Inspector General of Police at that time, and asked if he considered any further measures were necessary. He replied in the negative, as he was of opinion that things were quietening down.

On Saturday I learned that there had been further disturbances, and I telephoned to the Inspector General of Police and asked whether he thought it would be a good thing to have a "route march" through the town. He did not think that the occasion had yet arrived for any such demonstration: there was justification for this view, as up to midday all was perfectly quiet. Shortly after midday however further attacks were made by small parties on Japanese shops in the Eastern district.

Military Help Given.

In view of this, Mr. Wolfe asked that military assistance should be made available, if required. His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops responded at once to my request for this assistance, and as a result, troops were available that night both in Victoria and Kowloon. Had it not been for this fact, the loss of life on the mainland would have been much greater. As you know, disturbances broke out very suddenly there in various localities, and shortly before the arrival of the troops in Kowloon City a dastardly crime was committed in an isolated area a mile away. The Police were quelling a disturbance in Kai Tak Road at the time and the Military were engaged in similar work in other parts of Kow-

loon and it proved impossible to get assistance there in time to prevent what occurred. By 1 a.m. the rioters had all been dispersed, and Kowloon was absolutely quiet.

Emergency Declared.

That evening about 8 p.m. the Inspector General of Police had rung me up on the telephone to the effect that things looked more serious, and I decided to hold a further conference early on Sunday morning, with a view to taking further emergency measures. The conference was held, followed by an urgent meeting of Executive Council, at which the measures were formally approved. As a result, a state of emergency was declared, and action taken on the lines that members are aware of. On Sunday there was a considerable throwing out into the streets of Japanese goods by their Chinese owners, but otherwise there was no trouble.

Since Sunday both the island and Kowloon have remained quiet, apart from small outbreaks at Belchers Street and Shaubkwan, both of which were promptly suppressed. There is however still an under-current of unrest, and care and vigilance are being maintained.

Japanese Murdered.

No Japanese lives have been lost, apart from the six people murdered at Tsang Foo Villas. In the course of quelling the disturbances eight Chinese rioters were killed. Fortunately no lives were lost among the Police and Military units, but a considerable number were injured, some of them very seriously.

On Sunday the Inspector General of Police gave orders that all Japanese in outlying areas should be escorted to places of safety, and these orders were carried out. Numbers of Japanese have been concentrated in various places, and arrangements made for supplying them with all necessities. There was some inevitable overcrowding and discomfort at first, but this has been overcome, and present arrangements appear satisfactory. The authorities have kept in close touch with the Japanese Consul-General throughout.

Indebtedness.

I am greatly indebted to His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, and the officers and men in his command, who gave such sterling assistance when matters became more serious. I also wish to thank the Commodore and the Navy for their readiness to assist if and where required. I also thank those members of the Police Reserve, Volunteers and the St. John Ambulance Brigade for all the assistance which they have given.

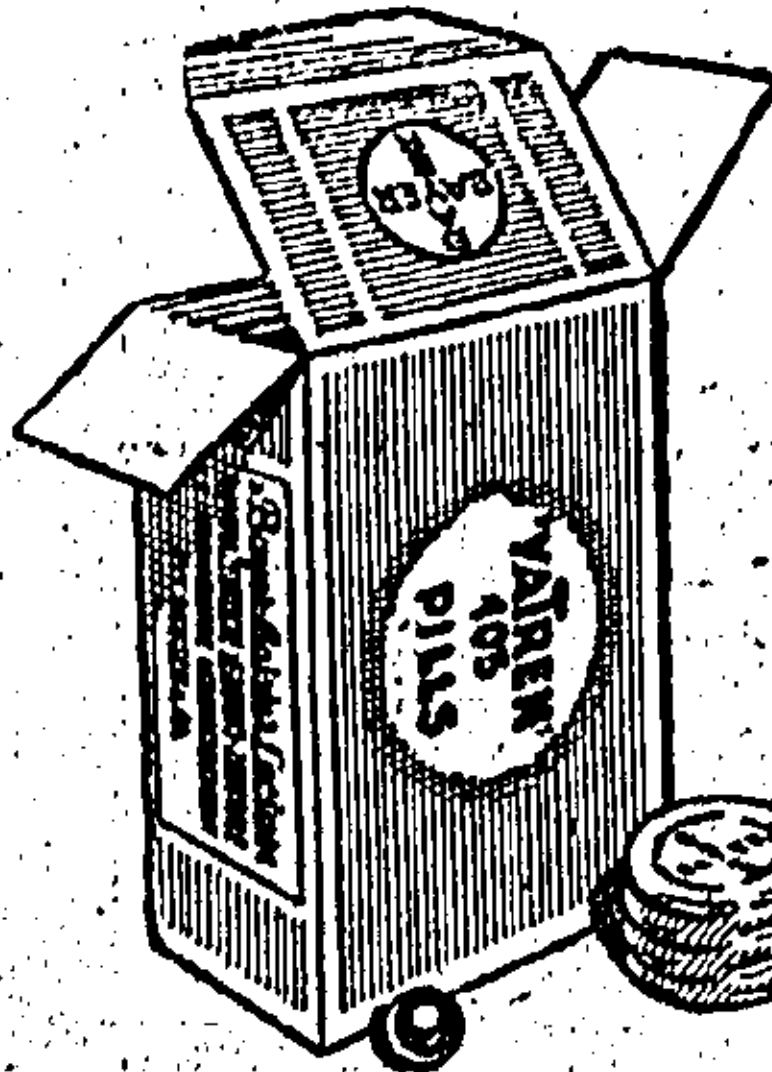
BIRCH AND JAIL FOR SNATCHER.

(Kowloon Police Court.)

A Chinese was charged this morning with snatching a pair of ear-rings from a Chinese lady at Shamshupo on the evening of September 20.

After being arrested the man tried to commit suicide by throwing himself about in the Police Station cell. He was removed to hospital suffering from a broken breast bone.

He was this morning sentenced to six months' hard labour and 12 strokes of the birch.



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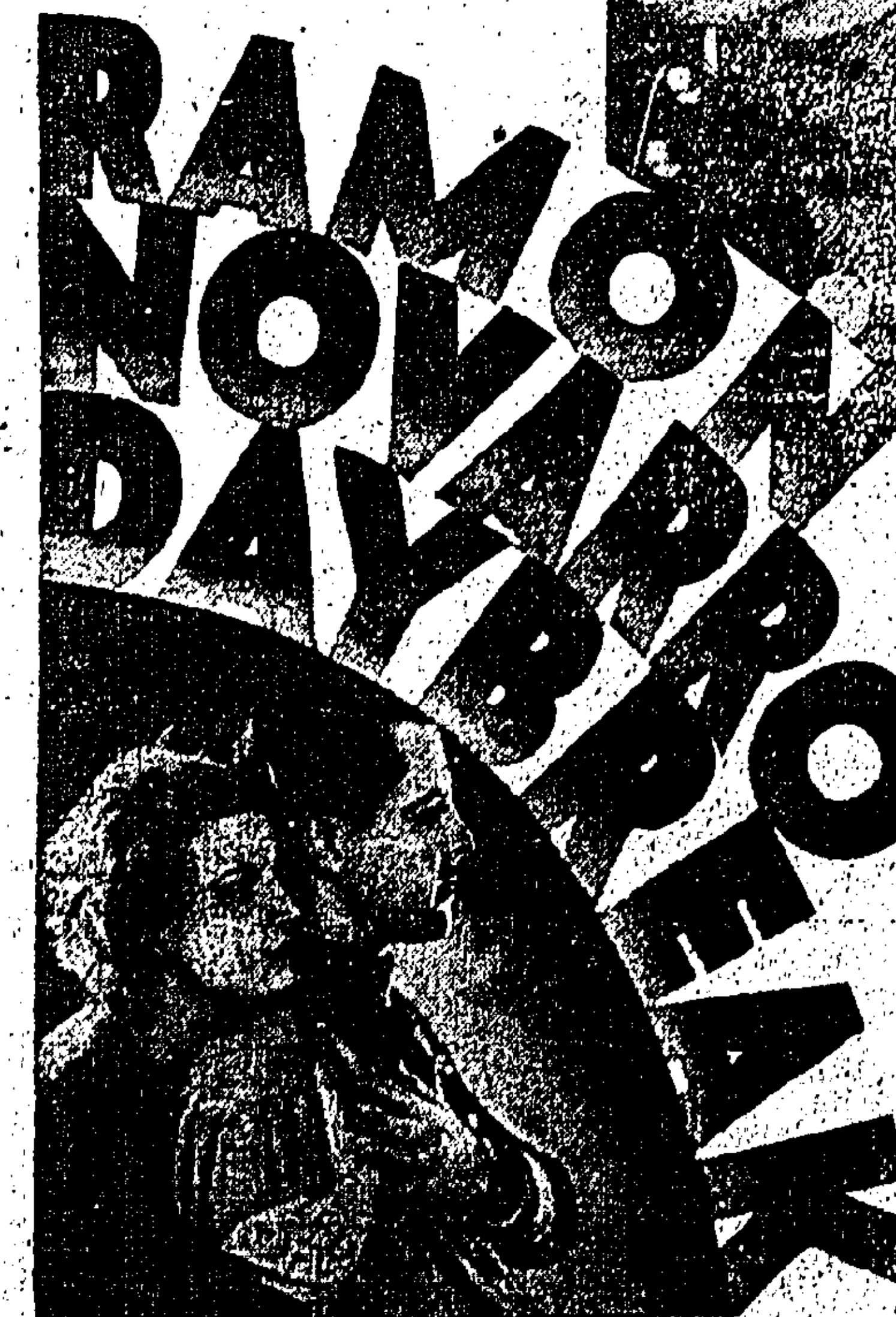
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